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WOODROW WILSON GRADUALLY LOSES GROUND

State Chemist From Texas A. & M. To Be In Mexia Saturday, February 9, To Discuss Commercial Fertilizers

Arrangements have been completed by the Chamber of Commerce whereby Dr. G. S. Frapp, State Chemist and cheif of the Division of Chemistry at the A. & M. College of Texas will visit Mexia on Saturday afternoon, February 9th and will speak to the farmers and others interested, on the "Value of Commercial Fertilizers". Arrangements have been made to hold this meeting in the Hurdleston Hotel building in the room formerly occupied by the drug store and afterwards used as meeting place for the luncheon clubs. Seats will be provided for 200 or more and the speaking will be held at 3:30 in the afternoon.

The Chamber of Commerce feels gratifying that they have been able to secure Dr. Frapps, as he rarely ever leaves A. & M. College to make addresses, and he is recognized nationally as an authority on the subject which he is slated to discuss.

Dr. Frapps is a very practical speaker and comes prepared to answer any question of interest with reference to the practical application of fertilizer, and the farmers in the vicinity of Mexia can make his visit exceedingly profitable to themselves if they will make it a point to hear him speak.

Dr. Frapp will be accompanied by Mr. A. K. Short of the Extension Department of the A. & M. College, who will also address the meeting with reference to the benefits to be derived from the scrivces of the county agents. Mr. Short is a very entertaining speaker and those who hear him will no doubt be highly repaid for their trouble.

All farmers and others interested in farming methods in Mexia and vicinity are urgently requested to remember the time and place, Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9, at 3:30 in the Hurdleston Hotel building and are urged to make a special effort to hear these distinguished speakers on subjects of vital importance to farmers in this section.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2—The sinking sun found Woodrow Wilson still losing ground. He is suffering no pain but is too weak to talk.

"Mr. Wilson is fully conscious," He is not talking to anyone, but he Dr. GrGayson said.

"He is just slowly ebbing away. is still conscious."

Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, who was food administrator, during the war, called to inquire concerning Mr. Wilson. Cordell Hull, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, also left his card at the house Saturday.

A constant stream of people is passing the house and messenger boys bearing sheafs of telegrams are going in and out.

"Of course weare hoping," but added that the end might come "at any time."

Dr. Grayson denied that oxygen was being used to keep Mr. Wilson alive. He said a hypodermic was given last night to prevent restlessness.

"Mr. Wilson realizes his fight is over," Grayson said. "He is making a game effort, however. It almost breaks one down. He is very brave."

Mrs. Wilson, Grayson said, is bearing up and got some sleep during the night.

William G. McAdoo and Mrs. McAdoo, daughter of the former President, are on their way to Washington from California. Mrs. Wilson was advised early today.

Agricultural Committee Told To Raise $1,000 For Prizes To Be Given Farmers For Best Cotton Crop On Five Acres

On Tuesday of last week the directords of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce gave their endorsement to a plan which contemplated the giving of $1,000 in prizes for the best cotton crop on blocks of 5 acres, and the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce states to a News reporter that he has not yet finished soliciting contributions to this fund, but sufficient subscriptions have been made to warrant the statement that the plan will be adequately subscribed, and the Agricultural Committee, composed of Cox W. Brodnax, chairman, J. W. Stubenrauch, Roy H. Stokes have been notified to proceed with their plans.

This committee will meet at an early date and draft a set of rules for the conduct of this contest and it will be undoubtedly worth any farmers time and effort to enter five acres. No rules have yet been promulgated as they have not yet been made, but one of the committee states to a News reporter that it is likely that the commitee will permit the entrance of only one five acre block from each farmer who enters and the five acres entered must be designated at the time the farmer enters the contest.

It is pointed out that any farmer entering this contest is bound to be benefited whether he wins or not, for if he does not win a prize, he will increase his own cotton yield and improve his method of farming and will benefit thereby.

All farmers who would like to enter this contest are urged to notify one of the committee as named above or John H. Sweatt, president, and Ben F. Stollenwerck, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Those who will give in their names will be promptly advised of the provisions of the rules when they are completed by the Committee.

No entrance fee will be charged and the contest is open to all farmers in Mexia trade territory.

Fall Refuses To Testify Before Probe Members

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Shrunken and nervous A. B. Fall, before the Senate committee, declined to answer any question regarding the oil lease scandal. He leaned heavily on a cane as he entered the committee chamber. After being sworn Senator Walsh asked Fall if he wished to make any statement. "I decline to answer any questions," said Fall. He then challenged the authority of the committee to question him. He said the resolution passed by the Senate providing for the present investigation is not in force now since other resolutions condemning oil leases had been passed. "I also decline to answer on the ground that it may incriminate me," Fall said.

In executive session the committee discussed holding Fall in contempt. The Senate colud try him and pail him if found guilty of contempt, and if he still refused to answer questions.

After reading the statement Fall walked firmly from the Chamber not using his cane.

The committee finally decided to seek further authority to make Fall answer.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas, Feb. 2.—Charges will be filed against Harry Leahy, lawyer, following the shooting of District Judge Walter Timon. The latter is seriously wounded. Trouble over litigation in the settlement of a suit in which both men were interested as attorneys, brought on the shooting, which occurred on a street.

STILLWATER, Okla., Feb. 2.—David Fink, Roy Doak and Earl Nutter, Oklahoma Aggie students, were released on $2500 bond each on murder charges in connection with the with the death of Mrs. Matilda Hodges who was killed by a stray bullet while the boys were shotting at a traget. The woman was accidentally killed. Two others were slightly injured.

SECOND TERM AT SCHOOL ENDS WITH FINE RECORDS

On Monday, January 28, regular work for the second term began in all departments of the Mexia School. Examinations had been completed, records made and programs arranged almost without exception during the preceding week. Principal Andrews stated that he was well pleased with the orderliness and precision of the term-end work. Very frequently this time is marked by harassments both to faculty and student-body, and Mexia High School is fortunate in avoding such unpleasant situations.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 2.—The Senate ratified the general claims convention with the United States, settling claims for the loss of American lives and property in Mexico. The terms of the convention were agreed to during the Recognition Conference last summer.

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 2.—Another Mexican troop movement from Sonora through Arizona, New Mexico and into Mexico via El Paso, is due in a few days, it is reported. The exact number of troops to be moved is unknown.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 2.—One dead, ten injured, and three unaccounted for as the toll of an explosion and fire which wrecked the four story building of the Bailey-Reynolds Chandelier Company blast rocked the city business district. It was caused by leaking gas in the basement.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The liner Cleveland which arrived here three and one-half days late because of the rought weather, reported three casualties on the trip. One passenger was washed overboard by a gigantic wave; another suffered a broken leg and a third died of illness.

Bonus Bill To Be Considered Next Tuesday By Vets

C. G. Puckett, Superintendent of City Schools, is in charge of the program for the Nowlin Post of the American Legion next Tuesday night.

He announces that the program will consist of a consideration of the bonus bill, pro and con, so that a thorough understanding of the proposed measure.

A large attendance is urged for this most important session.

The Bible was first translated into the Chinese language 100 years ago by Robert Morrison.

HACKNEY TESTS IS NOW AROUND 2660

The Hackney test in the Northeast Mexia wildcat district is now drilling in the Austin chalk at around 2600. The depths at which the bit goes out of the chalk now bear watching, say those who have studied the game, as that will have an important bearing on possible future developments.

Mrs. T. P. Junkin of Dallas is visiting in the home of her brother, R. A. Parker of this city.

"Canning" Cupid's Representatives At Houston Ct. House

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 2.—The death knell has been sounded for Houston's "janitor-cupids."

Horny-handed keepers of Harris county's courthouse who have been meeting prospective newlyweds at the door and escorting them to their "favorite" justice of the peace must go, according to an edict of County Judge Bryan.

For their services in "bringing around trade" the janitor had been receiving $1, it was found. The justice usually received $5 and passed along $1 to the "ballyhooer."

J. P. Harding was here Friday from McKinney.

ST. MARY'S TO BE DEDICATED TO GOD NEXT TUESDAY

Tuesday at nine a. m. St. Mary's church will be the scene of one of the most solemn services in the liturgy of the Catholic church—that of the dedication of an edifice to divine worship, making it no longer a building but the "House of God." Many citizens of Mexia are planning to attend this service. There will also be representatives here from Dallas, Ft. Worth, Houston, Waco, Corsicana and Teague. The church will be dedicated by Rt. Rev. C. E. Byrne, Bishop of this, the Galveston Diocese. There will be mass Coram Episcopo. The Celebrant will be Rt. Rev. Monsignor Kirwin V. G., of the Galveston Diocese. Rev. M Schumacher, President of St. Edwards College, Austin, will be Deacon, and Rev. V. Graffeo will be subdeacon. Rev. E. A. Kelley of Beaumont will be master of ceremonies. Rev. P. A. Heckman and Rev. Joseph Pelnar, Chaplains to the Bishop. The sermon will be delivered by Bishop Byrne. The musical program will be as follows:

Leonard's mass in Eb.

Personnel of the Choir

Sopranos: Mrs. N. Bendy, Mrs. Thos. Flynn, Mrs. John Lowery.

Altos: Miss B. Daniels, Mrs. R. B. Vanneman, Miss Yancy, Mrs. C. Puckett.

Tenors: A. McDonald, J. H. Kelley.

Bass: M. J. McGee, J. Ed Overbeck.

Solos: Kyrie Eleison (Lord Have Mercy on Us)—M. J. McGee.

Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Glory Be to God on High)

Gratias Agimus (We Give Thee Thanks)—Mrs. Thos. Flynn.

Credo (I Believe)

Et In Incarnatus Est (And He Was Made Man)—Mrs. Thos. Flynn.

Genitum Non Factum (Begotten Not Made)—Mrs. R. B. Vannemann.

Offertory: Salve Regina (Hail Holy Queen)—Mrs. John Lowrey.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus (Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord).

Benedictus Qui Venit (Blessed Is He Who Comes)—J. H. Kelley.

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)—Mrs. John Lowery.

Dona Nobis Pacem (Give Us Peace) Finale, Choir.

Directress, Mrs. Charles Puckett.

Organist, Mrs. J. M. Stucki.

Regular Session Of Methodist W. M. S. Held Monday

The Study Class of the Woman's Missionary Society met in regular session on Monday, January 28, at the home of Mrs. W. B. Andrews. There were sixteen members present. The lesson was led in an interesting and thorough fashion by Mrs. Anderson. Supplementary material was given by several members, showing the results of earnest study. The regular study of the lesson followed by round table discussion of both the lesson material, and many problems of religious life. The whole society showed itself as deeply impressed with Rev. Andrews' sermon of the previous Sunday, in which he showed the alarming lack of religious trairing the children of America are receiving.

SHRINERS FEAST PLANS MADE IN MEXIA

Arrangements for the first 1924 banquet of the Mexia Shrine Club have been completed and a committee of Shriners is now busily engaged in the sale of tickets for the banquet which will be held in the High School cafeteria room at 7:45 Thursday night Feb. 7. The tickets are selling fast and indications are that ticket sale will be finally closed Monday night or Tuesday morning.

In speaking of the coming banquet, an official of the club says that it is going to be an occasion on which every Shriner and his lady is guaranteed a good time, in fact, that is the prime object of the banquet, and it has been said that Shriners do know how to have a good time.

There will be only one speech during the evening, and some well known Shrine speaker will be on for that feature. His name will be announced later.

The Mexia Shrine club is in receipt of a telegram from the Corsicana Shrine club giving an invitation to Shrine Circus in Corsicana from Feb 4th to the 9th and the telegram says "Big time guaranteed." John Calhoun is president of the Corsicana Shrine and Roy Nussbaum is secretary.

Tickets for the Shriners banquet Thursday night are now on sale. Those wanting them phone or see Dr. Roy Leamon or Ben Stollenwreck.

J. W. Horn will move to Littlefield, Texas about the middle of the month. He has been in business here for the past three years and has many friends who regret to learn of his contemplated departure.

S. R. Little of the "Yellow House Sand Company" of Austin is visiting in Mexia.

The ladies of the auxiliary will serve hot biscuit and fried chicken to the American Legion next Tuesday night at Legion headquarters.

Miss Audrey Carcee of Houston is on a visit with her sister, Mrs. A. M. Hawes of Mexia.

Rev. E. E. Rogers is entertaining his father this week.

Miss Audree Marcee was in the city Saturday from Houston.

Neighbor Falls Out With Neighbor And One Of Them Is Now In Grave Following Shooting South Of Town

What is declared to be the climax of a feud of long standing between two old families of this section occurred Friday afternoon about five thirty o'clock when Jim Fife was shot to death by his neighbor, C. H. Testaman, on the dividing line betwen the farms of the two men 3 or 4 miles south of town. According to witnesses Testaman was engaged in repairing some fence when the shooting occurred. Fife was shot five times from a 32 caliber automatic, so the physicians called to the scene stated, the bullets lodging in his chest and one probably penetrating his heart. Death occurred in a short time. Testamen surrendered to officers from Mexia shortly afterward. He made bond in the Justice court here to the amount of $10-000. Only one witness was examined Friday night.

Fife is survived by a wife and several children. He was about 51 years of age, has been a resident of the community in which he lived for a long while.

According to those familiar with the case the trouble started originally over a misunderstanding concerning some land. The trouble grew into a positive feud and several times during the past personal clashes occurred between the two men, say witnesses. One of these clashes took place at a local blacksmith shop when Fife is said to have struck Testaman over the head with an axe handle and further trouble was prevented only by the intervention of bystanders. Several times, it is reported threats had been passed between the two mne.

The Saturday before the shooting Fife had been sued in the Justice court by Testaman, who claimed that Fife had turned his cattle loose and that they had depredated his (Testaman's) land. Fife was acquitted in the court, it is stated, and the matter only served to aggravate the trouble between the two men.

Fife's body was brought into town about 6 o'clock Friday evening and prepared for burial at the John R. Corley Undertaking parlors. His funeral services took place at the Forest Glade cemetery Saturday afternoon at 3:00 p. m.

Testman was given a preliminary trial before Justice of the Peace Osborne Kennedy Saturday afternoon, at 1:30 with County Attorney Scott Reed of Groesbeck representing the State and A. B. Reynolds of Mexia representing the defendant.

The examining trial drew much interest, as the Justice Court room was crowded throughout the afternoon, while the case was being heard.

One white man and three negroes testified as eye witnesses of the affair which led to the death of Fife. Throughout the day, while the examination was in progress, the wife of the defendant was by his side, both bearing up well under the strain. Their little son, and her mother, too, were present.

Four eye witnesses to the incident leading to the death of Fife were placed on the stand. One white man and theree negroes. The white man was Herman Moore, a teamster of the Rumphreys-Pure Oil Company. He stated in his testimony that he was going home with his team and was in the main road between Fife's home and Testaman's home when he heard shots and looked up in time to see Fife fall. He stated that the two men were between 75 and 100 yards from him at the time of the shooting. Testaman, he said, was leaning across a barb wire fence and fired several shots into Fife after he had fallen. According to his testimony he ran toward the body and arrived about the same time that Mrs. Fife arrived. He later helped carry the body into the house.

The other eye witnesses were negroes employed by the two farmers. Lawson Williams and Preston Eddington were working for Testaman and George Gambrell for Fife. Testaman's hands were building him a fence. This fence they stated ran parallel to and about one foot from another barbed wire fence which Fife had built on his side of the land line. The negroes said they were engaged on a part of the fence. According to their testimony, Testaman went down the fence to the corner only a few yards from Fife's home. Fife came from behind his garage down towards where Testaman was fixing his (Testaman's) fence. He had a pick handle in his right hand, witness stated. When he got within about six feet of Testaman, he said to Testaman: "How do you like my fence?" Testaman replied: "I like my fence fine." Other remarks may have been exchanged, but the next heard by witnesses was "Fife said to Testamon in a loud voice, 'If you want to fight come on out in the road.'" Shortly thereafter Testaman was said to have begun shooting, firing two shots in quick succession. Fife fell after the first shot and then Testaman fired two shots or more while Fife lay on the ground. They said that they ran from the scene of the shooting, at the moment, and did not go near the body until it had been removed from the place where it fell. Testaman was then reported as having turned around, placed his pistol in his pocket and ran towards his home, giving instruction to the negroes who were working on his fence to bring the wagon and team to the house some three or four hundred yards away.

At the time of the shooting, it is stated, children of Mr. Fife were playing in the yard and on seeing their father fall cried to their mother to "come quick, papa's been killed." A boy of about sixteen years who was placed on the stand said that he was in a barn at his home several hundred yards from the scene of the shooting when he heard shots and ran immediately toward them. When he arrived several minutes later, he said, there were several persons, principally the family of the dead man, standing about the body. Someone told him to go after some neighbors, he said, and he was gone about twenty five minutes, before he returned with two of them.

Seven witnesses in all were examined, only the four being eye witnesses of the affair which is deplorede by the entire section, who hope that no further trouble will ensue.

At the conclusion of the testimony Justice Kennedy ordered that the defendant be placed under $10,000 bond, to await the action of the next Grand Jury, which it is understood will be early in March. Bond was promptly made.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Sunday fair and warmer; east cold; colder in extreme northwest.

West Texas.—Sunday fair and colder in north and west.

A. O. Vaughan, C. L. Stevens and G. O. Tracy were visitors to Mexia Friday from College Station.

H. R. Rich of Corsicana was in Mexia Friday.

Jack Corley who is attending Texas Military Academy at Terrell is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Corley, for the week end. He will return to his school early Monday morning.

F. J. Hearne of San Marcos was here Friday.

Walter Dezelle of San Marcos was a visitor to the city Friday.

Boyd Thanks Everyone Who Helped In Making Demonstration Home A Success and A Service to Mexia

Four hundred and ten persons registered in the two and a half days in which the Hughes Demonstration Home was open, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, of the week just closed.

The great interest in the home was surprising not only to Mr. Hughes but to the men who built it. E. B. Mosley, manager of the J. R. Neece Lumber Company was among those most surprised at the great number of folks who attended the demonstration. The numerous questions, involving every phase of the home, indicate that quite a number here are now planning new homes.

W. K. Boyd, President of the News Publishing Company, who gave considerable time to the project, in speaking of the matter said: "I wish to thank E. B. Mosley, Lawrence Ingram, contractor, and all connected with the erection of the J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home. Their cooperation has been splendid. Also I want to thank the ladies of the Delphian chapter for their wonderful repsonse to the invitation to act as the reception committee at the home during the two and a half days in which its doors were thrown wide and with a welcome to the public. The great number visiting the place, surprisingly large, even to us who have thought constantly for several weeks of the place, was no doubt due in a large way to the work of the ladies, both in inviting their friends to the home and in the courtesy extended all who crossed the thrshold of the place. The public has been very generous in its praise. I feel that Mr. Hughes has witnessed the accomplishment of the purposes prompting him to challenge the News to build the home. I also feel sure that the home is worth every cent that it cost, and that Mr. Hughes has not only done a real service for Mexia in building it, but that he has also secured a splendid investment. Let's have more homes like this in Mexia.

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BIRDS OF ILL OMENS

Just now almost everything else is being pushed into the background by the investigations of the operations of various officials, bureaus and departments under the present administration. And a fine mess it is even at this time, and the worst is yet to come. The Teapot Dome scandal is large and important, but for venality, sordidness and criminality, it is not in the same class with others already uncovered and yet to be exposed, and they are coming thicker and faster: "First a speck, and then a vulture, till the air is thick with pinions." And they are birds of ill omen for the Republican party; unless the old spirit is frozen in the veins of the voting public that party is facing a stupendous crash, a disaster from which its recovery will be very doubtful. It will be recalled that the two or three scandals of the Grant administration, even though the President ordered the Attorney General "to let no guilty man escape," caused such a revolt among the voters that Tilden was elected on the face of the returns in 1876. The battle cry of the Democrats (and very appropriate for the coming campaign) was "Turn the rascals out!" The people undertook to turn them out, but it was found after the election that they were so numerous and so well intrenched that they succeeded even then in robbing Tilden of his victory through the scheme of the Eight-to-Seven Commission and the attendant bribery.

These various scandals of the present administration have not been developed as the result of an elaborate scheme to dig up criminal acts to use for political effect, as was the case when the Graham Smellnig Committee was created by the Republicans at the close of the war, but have just cropped out from time to time, and sometimes two or three at a time. And the public washing of the soiled garments has caused men to break down, to die in disgrace and to end their own lives. It is even believed in many quarters that the death of President Harding was partly due to his worry over these conditions as he saw them developing in his administration. It so happened that his one effort to clean up was miscredited—through the false and unjustified reports of Brewer, the assistant detailed by Daugherty to the job of investigating the Wilson appointees in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Harding discharged 28 of the heads of the Bureau, two of whom died from the unmerited disgrace, while the others have all been publicly exonerated and a number of them returned to their places. Others refused to return.

It has become necessary in some cases for the Democrats to force, by the most drastic threats and actions, the creation of Senate Committees to investigate the facts connected with certain cases. In the matter of Senator Spencer's alleged connection with the big Fouke Fur Company of St. Louis, it took weeks to induce the Republicans in the Senate to consent to look into the case, and when it finally came up on the floor of the Senate, the galleries were astonished to see Senator Spencer himself presiding over the session. It is believed the committee will get down to work on the case this week. As the investigations develop and the committees are created it will become a question as to how to conduct the business in the committee rooms and yet maintain a quorum on the floor of the Senate. Here is a partial list of the scandals and sensations to date, with others waiting in the wings and soon to be on the stage:

The Newberry election scandal
The Daugherty scandal
The dismissals at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing
The Goldstein scandal at St. Louis
The Ship Subsidy and Ship Sales scandal
The Veterans' Bureau scandal
The Sugar Profiteering scandal—30 cent sugar
The Sinclair-Teapot Dome scandal
The Reclamation Service scandal
The Income Tax Bureau scandal
The Packers and Stockyards scandal
The Tolbert scandal
The Slemp post-offices scandal; and several others coming, including some very remarkable doings under the Treasury, the Navy, the Department of Commerce, the Government Printing office and the Tariff Commission. In other words, the list of entries is by no means closed

THE INDICATOR IS ALWAYS UPWARD

Business men have access to charts intended to show them when higher prices are coming and when they may look for a drop. It is claimed by the chart compilers that the laws of action and reaction are equal. The pendulum swings as far one way as it does the other. Charting helps us peer into the business future.

These same observers report that prosperity is associated with decreasing church attendance. When people are poor they think they need God more than when their pockets bulge with cash. It is within the observation of most of us that in dire distress people turn to God as a last resort, and when the weather is fair again they think they can manage their own future without taking God into account.

The wise man in business consults his chart when business is booming as well as when buyers are few. The Christian accepts the Bible and God as his guide through life, surrenders his will to God and abides by the course God lays out for him.

Whether man seeks God at the end of life or at the beginning, God is always the same. He is ready to guide whether man realizes his need of help or not. There is never any back swing to the pendulum of God's love, however much variance there may be in man's obedience to him.

Regular church attendance will help one find the law of God for him if he attend with a sincere purpose to seek for himself.

Of fifteen Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee, eight don't dare to vote for the Mellon Plan and then face the voters. The Democratic proposal will win out.

MEXICO.

By OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

From the silv'ry strand of the broad Rio Grande
Cross Sierra's craigs to the Ocean's flow
Can be heard the dull march of a great army band
Prostrating in shame poor Old Mexico;
Like a gluttonous beast this horde doth now feast
On plunder obtained by ravage of war
And for justice and right they care not the least
Refusing to hear the plea from afar.

The dark, crimson stain of her despotic reign
Has blotted her name on history's page
With bold leaders spur'd on by conquest and gain
To sanction the woes of anarchy's rage.
All her mountains and wood are weltering in blood
And vassals of war are tortured and slain,
The tender shepherd lad is shot where he stood
Attending his flock on green turfted plain.

This land once renowned is now laid to the ground
By bedlam and strife and treachery's guile
And intrigues of State and dark schemes are now found
To cleave with the sword prosperity's smile.
Her homesteads are burned, her rich farm now turned,
By foraging bands, to desolate waste;
The appeals of the poor in mockery are spurned
By cannon and shell her name is disgraced.

Will the world stand at bay while these vandals slay,
In riotous lust, the helpless and fair?
Go shine the bright torch of fair liberty's day
On darkness and woe that is dwelling there.
Let sweet freedom's rhyme, now some far distant chime,
Invade her dim shores of benighted wails
To break the scourge of caste that blights all her clime
And help restore law where crime now prevails.

Another near-scandal is developing from the work of the Re-classification Bureau, created to re-classify the employees under the Civil Service. It is alleged that the heads of this Bureau gave the chief employees of each branch of the Government the naming of their own pay increases, thus leaving insufficient of the appropriations for the various Bureaus to allow increases for the thousands of clerical employees who have been struggling for years against the high cost of living.

CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

MONUMENTAL GREATNESS

"It is not, O King, this monument that makes you great, but it is you, Our King, who makes this monument great."

So reads an epitaph on a monument erected and dedicated to an honored lost chieftan by the natives of a certain country in Eastern Europe.

Applying the beautiful truth to our own land, it might be engraved on our mountains and written across the landscape of our plains andn valleys:

"It is not, O Kingly citizens, this country that makes you great, but it is you, Sovereign Americans, who make this country great."

Proclamation

To the People of Texas:

For one hundred years our fathers and ourselves have been building the fine texture of civilization in Texas. Given a land surpassing fair, the pioneer fathers of Texas, men eager for the romantic endeavor of living, came here and staked the boundaries of an empire of vision. With their blood they traced on the glorious canopy of the new republic, the pattern of a great empire that has been perfected by the patriotic impulses and tireless work of their decendants.

Now has come the harvest season. The miniature that was etched in the colony sites in the valleys of the Texas rivers a century ago has become a proud canvas a thousand miles broad on which has been reproduced the full bloom of industrial, social, religious, and civic achievement. In Texas were blended the fine romance and tradition of the old South, and the full frevor and enthusiasm of the new West. On history's pages of that first twenty-five years when Texas was fighting for freedom and pointing the way to association in the family of American states, there are martial glories that will forever emblazon the shield of Saxon ideas and enterprise. The glory and heroism of the Alamo, Goliad and San Jacinto will never fade The names of Austin, Houston, Bowie, Crockett, Lamar, and others of that illustrious group, whose ideals have guided our destinies, suggest supreme moments in a people's life. What state in all the march of civilization can point to a more valorous beginning, or more glorious journeying in the paths of progress?

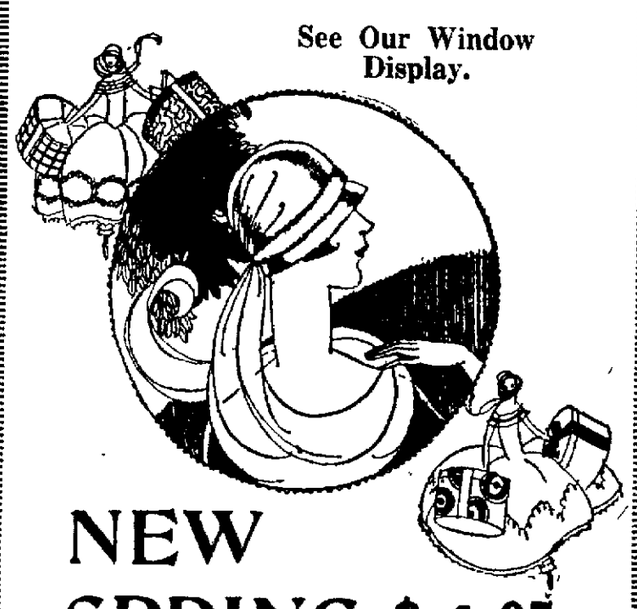
The completion of this century of treading the highway of a State's destiny has turned the minds of Texans everywhere to Texas. There has been awakened a universal desire to commemorate the heroic deeds of those who laid the corner stone of the Texas Empire. It is altogether fitting that the significance of this great opportunity should be impressed upon all of the people, and that a representative assembly should be convened to take some positive action looking to the preparation of a great centennial feast of art, history and industry, not only to show Texas to Texans, but invite the world to be our guests, that the people everywhere may know that Texas is as great in achievement as in area.

In the city of Austin on January eighth, a group of patriotic citizens met in open conference and arranged for calling a great public assembly. Concurring in the purposes which prompt the calling and holding of such a meeting, I, as Governor of Texas, commend this undertaking and join these patriotic citizens in designating February 12th, at 10 A. M., as the time, and the Capitol of Texas as the meeting place for a great assembly of loyal Texans to consider plans for the celebration of a TEXAS CENTENNIAL, and invite the citizenship of Texas to come and to sit in council for the purpose of determining what action may be best to insure the fullest measure of success to this great undertaking, and of selecting a time and place for a Centennial of world-wide import.

PAT. M. NEFF,
(Copy) Governor of Texas.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Representative Garner's tax reduction plan will affect two million taxpayers, the Texas congressman asserts. Under his scheme, he proposes the following; exemptions of $2,000 for single persons and $3,000 for heads of families; a normal tax of 2 per cent on incomes under $5,000 and 4 per cent on incomes from $5,000 to $8,000; surtaxes are graduated from six per cent on $8,000 to 44 per on $92,000; a 33 1-3 per cent reduction on earned incomes which would affect farmers and small business men.

John A. Mingo of Big Sandy was in the city Thursday.



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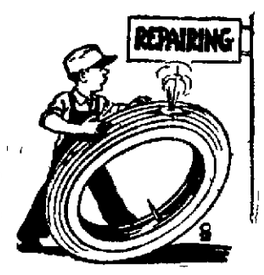

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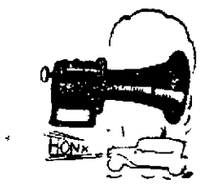

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undation Of American Civilization reatened When Bible Taken From The blic Schools Says Methodist Pastor

of the greatest sermons n Mexia in recent years was livered Sunday, Jan. 27th, by . B. Andrews, pastor of the ethodist church on "Educa- ough Good Literature."

essage of the morning was ted on at the time as being ly helpful and many ex- the opinion that such ser- ld do much to purify the re of the day and stimulate the best only.

rong appeal was made for the e be returned to the public

rt his sermon follows:

ion Through Good Literature

1 Thes. 5.21. Prove all Hold fast that which is good. we read constitutes a large f our education.

lation which does not take to account and man's relation- Him will be hurtful and des- s of our Christian civilization. ciousness of the existence and of God and of our relationship is fundamental in Christian ter and life. God is. God lives. ules. This is God's world and e his creatures. We need to and consider these things. deepest and most vital exper- we have come of our rela- ip to Him. The soul's exper- with God are the only exper- that are worth while, and any that interferes with this is an to you and God.

well for us to recognize that are forces in our midst that structive of our christian cul- and institutions. With these or impaired, our relationship d is disturbed and our boasted ation goes down.

or W. Babson, the great Amer- tatistician, says: "We owe our ation to religion, and we owe n to the church. All that is in orld today that is worth while from men filled with integri- ith, industry, brotherly love hose other factors which come God. The church deserves the of keeping these factors be- the world. Hence it is evident e are indebted, not to the mas- f finance and commerce for our it security and prosperity, but e church and the preachers."

cation that has not the religi- lement in it is incomplete and to drift into materialism and fatally defective.

the beginning of the nineteenth y all the schools of all grades had the character of religious itions. They were required to definite religious instructions. I remind you that all the ls established in America pre- to that time were established e church. As a rule preachers the teachers in those schools. close of the nineteenth cen- the public schools, from the pri- grades to the university, had ne thoroughly secular.

quote again from Mr. Babson: ere neglecting the greatest of ces, the great spiritual re- es upon which everything de- s. How shall we develop these rces? Certainly we are not do- t now in our public chols. The tional system was originally ted by the Church to train the en in the fundamentals of ousness. Gradually we have d away from this, and today purpose for which our public ls were started is entirely lost. r these conditions is it sur- ng that the spiritual resources ir children are lying dormant?"

ere are 25,000,000 school child- n the United States. In recent hs scientists have been testing children as to truth and hon- Dr. Walter S. Athearn led in work. The board of directors un- whom he did this work was made up of the president of the university of Chicago, the president of Brown University, the president of the Agricultural College of Massachusetts and others of like character.

These tests showed that 64% of these children will lie, cheat and steal—16,000,000 out of the 25,000,000.

One of the tests was to give to the child 25 cents with which to buy a given article. The merchant, being instructed beforehand, would say to the child, "We are selling that today for 15 cents," and would give back to the child 10 cents. Only 36 out of each 100 children returned the dime to the teacher.

Another test was to give each child a chance to beat the street car company out of the fare. Other tests of the same character were made and the average of those who were dishonest was 64%. In some cities and towns all of children were dishonest.

Bless these dear children, they are not to blame. We, who have been responsible for their training, are to blame.

These scientists then decided to put these children, or others in the same towns and cities, under ethical instructions and teach them that it is wrong to lie and cheat and steal. Under this instruction there was a 60% improvement.

Others were given definite religious instruction with prayer, Bible reading, singing and devotion. Under this instruction, there was an improvement of 85%. In one city where, under the other test, all had kept the dime, now, after they had had this religious instruction, all but one brought back the dime, and this one brought it back the next day, making it 100%.

When the Bible and religious instructions were taken out of the public schools, the foundations of our American civilization began to be undermined. The "seed corn of the nation is being destroyed."

Dr. Athearn then makes this bold statement—and mark you, he is not a religious fanatic, but a hardheaded scientist: "We have made the discovery that unless children are taught religion that they will not be religious. We have also made the discovery that children can be scientifically taught religion in such a way that the course of their entire lives will be changed. These scientific tests prove this beyond a doubt."

The question is asked, "Why not train these 25,000,000 children at home or in Sunday schools?" Answering the first question: It is a fact that very few of our homes are giving religious instruction to the children. As to instruction in the Sunday schools, these scientists made a test of the state of Indiana, as being, as they thought, an average state. They found that more than half of the children, of all classes of people, did not attend Sunday school. Of the Protestant children, only half of them attended Sunday school, and of these only half attended more than half of the time. It was found that of the children who did attend a Sunday school, that they received only twelve hours of instruction a year—the balance of the hour being taken up with other things.

Who is to blame for this condition? The children? No. The question is not so much as to who is to blame, as what will America do about it?

The men who laid the foundation of this great republic were trained to teach the children of America that there is a God in this country. Our religious and moral standards have been lowered. The average home in America has absolutely no religion. Good books and literature in the home is as necessary as good food. The garments of righteousness are far more essential than the dresses and clothing we buy at the dry goods store.

You will agree with me that when religion was taught in the schools that we had high moral standards in America. We haven't those standards now. They are gone in large measure. The scientists of America tell us how we lost them.

Do you ask me what is the remedy I answer without hesitancy, God. God in the home. God in the schools. God in business. Who will begin this return to the old paths? I answer, you. All reforms begin with the individual. "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

in the schools of their day, and the religion of the Bible was drilled into them. The results show in the kind of government they gave us. What kind of government will we hand down to our posterity? Will it be the kind of government we now have if we allow the moral and religious faculties of the children to lie dormant?

Not only this, but the kind of literature we read affects our lives. How many of our homes have a religious paper? How many read that paper after it comes?

Do you read the fiction of the day? The short stories in the magazines and the books of fiction? Modern fiction may be classed all the way from semi-filthy to postively nasty. The sex question is the most prominent feature. Immorality is made prominent and rather encouraged. Unfaithfulness to the marriage vow is winked at and the hero and heroine are lionized for their ludeness and free love tendencies.

Is it true that these authors are setting the pace in such things? Is it true that the public demands such literature?

You will find books on the news stands that cannot be sent through the mails. They are too dirty and indecent.

The most popular plays on the stage in America last year were reeking with filth. Probably the most popular one in New York was not only indecent but was a slander and a libel on the church and the great mission work in the South Sea Islands.

You tell me this is all a backwash from the world war? Part of it may be. But such rank, noxious weeds would not grow if the soil were not congenial. The awful crime wave in America is but another indication of the same diseased condition.

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MOTHER AND THREE CHILDREN BURNED

AKRON, Ohio, Feb. 1.—A mother and three children were burned to death when flames enveloped a four room house in East Akron.

The dead are Mrs. John Smith, Jack Smith, 4; Anna May Smith, six months and Eleanor Smith, 2.

Albert Rains, a roomer was severely burned. He is believed to have used oil in an attempt to start a fire in a cook stove.

Judge A. M. Blackmon was up from Groesbeck Saturday circulating among his friends.

Chinese Students Says Americans Much Like Them

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 3—"American students and Chinese students are essentially the same," said Miss Mohling Ma, student in the University of Texas from Tswan, Shantung, China.

Miss Ma said that about the only noticeable difference is in skin and language, and that, after all, these are only comparatively superficial things. Students in China and America have the same emotions. They laugh and cry over the same things and have the same fundamental likes and dislikes.

Miss Ma came to America three years ago, her purpose being to take advantage of better educational advantages in this country When she left China she knew very little English, but now she speaks it fluently and does well in her courses

She speaks enthusiastically about her native country, particularly the Student's Union in the Chinese schools All the schools in China, from high schools to universities, inclusive, are in the organization. Individual schools are represented in district unions, and these in turn are represented in a big national Students' Union

"Until the time of the Washington Conference," said Miss Ma, "the Chinese Government had not paid much attention to this students' organization. And it was not the intention of the Government to listen to the Union on political matters to be dealt with at the Conference. But upon the Government's persistence in refusing to listen to the wishes of the people expressed through the Union for Japan's return of Shantung to China, the fine organization of the students brought about a nation-wide strike of all industries. On the third day of the strike the Government agreed to all the demands of the Union, and the result was felt throughout the world. Japan gave up Shantung."

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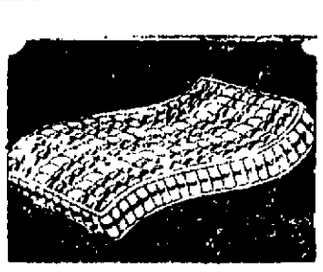

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NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

MARLIN

The Luthran Church of Texas will shortly establish somewhere near the center of the population of the State a major educational institution and while Marlin is known to have received serious consideration for the college the point has been reached, say those, in touch with the situation, where this city must show something more than a receptive attitude if it wishes to secure the school Rev. H. Studtmann, serving as resident pastor of the Lutheran Church in a prosperous rural community, is chairman of the locating board.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Marlin Baseball club was held in the Chamber of Commerce headquarters Tuesday evening. The annual report of the finances of the club was read by the treasurer, E. A. Flowers, and was duly accepted by the members. Mr. Flowers was commended for the manner in which he has kept the accounts for the club during the past season. The election of directors resulted in renaming five members of the 1923 board, B. C. Bratton, E. E. Fannin, E. A. Flowers, P. E. Arrington, and N. E. Stockton. A. B. Johnson, another member, resigned recently to accept the presidency of the Texas Association and Robert F. Higgins, withdrew because of the fact that he will probably be out of town for several weeks this summer. M. S Hunt was elected to fill the place left vacant by the resignation of Mr. Johnson and C. H. Olinger was chosen to take Mr. Higgin's place. B. C. Bratton was re-elected as president.

Every eligible person in Marlin is being urged to join the recently organized Parent-Teachers Association. Those eligible to membership include parents and all others interested in the welfare of the public schools. The dues of the association were set at twenty-five cents per year.

WORTHAM

Mrs. J. K. P. Poindexter and daughter, Miss Angie, of Kosse, have been visiting relatives in Wortham, and were the guests of T. B. Poindexter and R. G. Poindexter and their families. They returned home by way of Waco, and were accompanied to that city by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Poindexter and Mrs. T. B. Poindexter.

The Bounds Motor Company has broken dirt and begun preparations to erect a brick on Main and North Second street. The completed building will be occupied by the company.

The Pleasure Profit Club met this past week with Mrs. Roger Seely. Games of 42 were enjoyed by the guests and at the close of the games refreshments in the form of Sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate were served. The club will meet this week with Mrs. H. O. Tatum.

HUBBARD

Rev. W. R. Johnson of Nashville, Tennessee, accepted a call to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Hubbard and he and his wife and two children will arrive here about the middle of February. Mr. Johnson will begin his pastoral duties February 17.

A banquet is to be given Friday night by the ladies of the Cemetery Association here in the basement of the First Methodist Church at which a charge of $1.00 for each plate will be made. A representative of the Neosho plan of co-operation for the town and country will be present and will explain the working of his plan. As Mr. Lowe, the representative, comes well recommended by the Cotton Belt Railroad, all citizens interested in the progress of Hubbard are urged to be present.

The post office at Abbott was robbed some time Monday night the robbers blowing the safe and escaping with $300 in stamps, $40 in money and a Colts revolver. According to the Sheriff's office the Katy depot at Eylm Mott was robbed the same night, the amount of loot secured by the robbers not being known.

C. C. Hudson of Dallas was here the first of last week looking over the town as a probable location for a produce house. Mr. Hudson stated that he will be back in a few weeks and will probably make his arrangements for locating here.

According to reports that have come to the office of the News from a trusworthy source a dog which bit several other dogs here recently appears to have been infested with rabbies. The dog was killed while in a fit Tuesday.

Last Saturday a fire of unknown origin broke out in the second story of the McLaughlin building at Mt. Calm resulting in the loss of the building and the most of its contents. The building was occupied by a garage, and a grocery and furnishing store.

TEAGUE

The Teague public schools began the second term of the year Monday morning. Attendance is holding up well, especially in the upper grades and the High School.

At the regular meeting of the Lions club at the Rex Cafe Friday, with Dr. W. P. Harrison presiding as the good fellowship chairman, Coach Lemon was named as delegate to a district meeting of the Lions Clubs to be held at Austin. During the meeting school athletics were discussed at length, and it was decided to bring the Trinity Glee Club to Teague at an early date for the benefit of the High School athletic fund.

The Culture Club met Friday afternoon, January 18, with Mrs. Jess Smith where she and Mesdames Niel McKennedy and Forrest Green were hostesses for the aftrenoon. Pink carnations were used for decorative purposes and were arranged in a very attractive manner about the living and dining rooms. The program was "Better Homes" and roll call was answered with modern conveniences. The different phases of the subject were discussed by members on the program in a very interesting manner while a pleasing vocal solo was rendered by Mrs. W. W. Kerr. Refreshments consisted of chicken salad, olives, crackers, fruit cake, coffee and salted almonds.

GROESBECK

Monday was a record breaking day Tax Collector W. A. Robbins' office when state and county tax to the amount of $191,087.24 was collected. This brings the total amount for the year up to $500,599.85.

According to an announcement by the chairman of the local "Lynch Davidson for Governor" club Mr. Davidson will open his campaign in Groesbeck Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9.

A delegation of Mexia Lions headed by President J. K. Hughes visited the Groesbeck Club at their regular luncheon meeting Thursday of the week before last. Lion Hughes delivered a short address on this occasion in which he discussed "Lionism" and what it is possible for the Lions of Mexia and Groesbeck to do. The other members of the Mexia delegation made interesting and instructive talks, Lion Jere H. Cason, explaining how the Mexia club handles its luncheons and how they get the membership cut to their meetings.

The Masons of this section have a treat in store for them if they accept the invitation of the Groesbeck lodge to attend the Masonic Service meeting to be held here on the night of February 7th. At that time W. T. Ede, of Dallas, will deliver an address on "A Citizen and His Government," or on "The Equality of Opportunity."

INJUNCTION IS MADE PERMANENT BY COURT

Thursday of the past week, the injunction suit pertaining to the opening of the X-All Highway in the Forest Glade School district for the Forest Gldae school truck was heard before County Judge Fountain Kirby. The injunction was made permanent and in effect means that the contractors building the road must allow the school truck to pass over the highway.

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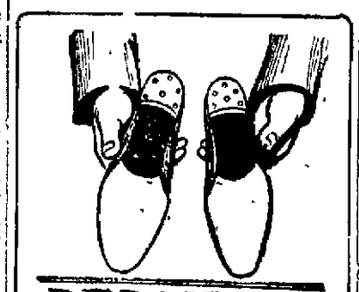

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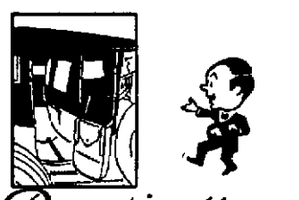

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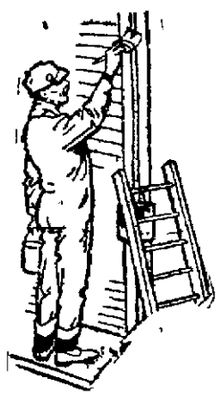

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MEXIA MOTOR COMPANY WINS SALES RECORD CUP IN U. S. AND WIDELY ADVERTISES AREA

The Mexia Motor Company's successful business for 1923 has been of such magnitude as to attract the motor world. Its record for number of sales during the twelve months period won for the Mexia institution the "Vice President's Cup." This information is contained in a letter just received by the company.

The "Vice President's Cup" is a prize offered by the Studebarker Corporation for the second highest sales record in the United States.

December leaders hold the cup for one month, following which it will be sent to the Mexia Motor Company as a permanent trophy, speaking for itself and emphasizing the zealous attention to business of the management and a healthy condition of prosperity in this territory.

Not the least of the indirect benefits of this significant achievement is the extensive advertising for Mexia which this success will gain for it. In every community in the country where Stoudebaker automobiles are sold, the Mexia Motor Car Company will be heralded as one of the best concerns of its kind in the United States.

This concern is a contributor to Greater Mexia and is doing its part in the program now launched to "Help Mexia Grow."

The management takes no credit whatever for this success to itself but expresses an appreciation to the public at large, who made the achievement certain and also to the manufacturers of this superb vehicle of the motor world.

South Bend, Ind., U. S. A.
Jan. 28, 1924.

Mexia Motor Car Co.,
Mexia, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Your splendid sales record has won for you the permanent possession of the "Vice President's Cup" for 1923. Please accept our heartiest congratulations.

Your achievement is commendable considering the size of the field and the stiff competition that characterized this contest, and we heartily wish you greater success for 1924.

Since December leaders are entitled to hold the cups for one month, it will be a week or two before we can order your cup shipped to you. When you receive it please take it to your local jeweler and have him complete the engraving on the front side to show that you are the final winner.

Yours very truly,
The Studebarker Corporation of America.
G. W. Sweet,
Ass't Sales Manager.

We attribute our success to the loyal support of our customers and friends, we assure you that your patronage is highly and thankfully appreciated

You are always welcome,—visit us often.

Mexia Motor Car Co., Inc.

BALLOON TIRES AROUSE LARGE NUMBER OF QUERIES

Specialization is still at large in the land, dividing and then dividing again. Now balloon tires have caused it to perform another division in the already specialized business of question answernig.

A dozen or more men find steady employment in one railroad station giving all their time one thing, answering questions Not so long ago the station agent answered all questions just as a sideline while he checked baggage, sold tickets, handled mail and telegrams and kept the village urchins from annoying the live geese in the crate on the hand truck.

Now comes this latest prank of specialization in question answering And in rolls quietly into our lives, accompanied by very little "air" on the wheels of automobiles Information bureaus are springing up all over the land to answer the many questions which balloon tires have conjured up in the minds of automobile owners. Can I put on balloons? Do I have to change my wheels? Will they wear out faster? And so on—the number of questions being limited only by the limits of driver imagination.

One of the big Akron tire makers, The General Tire and Rubber Company, has gone so far as to designate every one of its distributor establishments as a free information bureau for all who are interested in any way in the balloon tire idea. Placards and advertisements set forth that the General distributors' places are balloon tire headquarters and the parent company has furnished all available information. All questions are answered intelligently and without obligation and the questioners are invited to ride in a car equippel with the big tires.

This compny is particularly well fitted to furpish its distributors with authentic data because it has been developing the balloon tire idea for the past ten years. The balloon tier of today is the magnification and refinement of the Jumbo which the General company built in 1916.

STUDEBAKER SMASHES ALL PREVIOUS SALES RECORDS DURING 1923

Nineteen twenty-three was a banner year for the automobile industry in both production and sales of cars. Coming after the year 1922, which showed a remarkable improvement over the "off year" 1921, the increase in automobile business during 1923 is even more impressive.

Studebaker's record in making 1923 its banner year with the sale of more than 145,162 cars follows a series of phenomenal sales records. Each year for the past six years Studebaker sales have greatly exceeded those of the previous year.

Students of statistics will recall the story that 1921 told. In that year the sales of Studebaker cars were 20.4 per cent greater than in 1920, while the total number of cars sold of all other makes except Ford was 40 per cent less than in 1920.

Stated otherwise, Studebaker's ratio of sales in 1921 was 129 and the total of other makes except Ford was 60, as compared with 1920.

In 1922, therefore, Studebaker had the showing of a record year to surpass and plans were laid for a production of 100,000 cars, as compared with 66,643 in 1921. Even with this large increase in production, at no time was Studebaker able to supply the demands for its cars. 110,269 cars were produced and sold during 1922, an increase of 65 per cent over 1921 which up to that time was the greatest year in the history of Studebaker.

The increasing demands for Studebaker cars continued in 1923. By the end of August, the 1922 record was exceeded, and by December 31 Studebaker sales had passed 145,162—making the greatest year, by far, in Studebarker history.

MAJOR LEAGUE TRAINING CAMPS

Big League Training Camps this year are located as follows:

American League

Boston Red Sox, San Antonio, Tex.
New York Yankees, New Orleans, La.
St. Louis Browns, Mobile, Ala.
Philadelphia Athletes, Montgomery, Ala.
Detroit Tigers, August, Ga.
Chicago White Sox, Winterhaven, Fla.
Cleveland Indians, Lakeland, Fla.
Washington Nationals, Tampa, Fla.

National League

New Yrok Giants, Sarasota, Fla.
St. Louis Cardinals, Bradentown, Fla.
Brooklyn, Clearwater, Fla.
Phillies, Leesburg, Fla.
Cincinnati Reds, Orlando, Fla.
Pittsburgh Pirates, Paso Robles, Cal.
Chicago Cubs, Catalina Island, Cal.

IS YOUR HUBBY SLIPPING? HEED THIS WARNING

"Wives! Be unusual!"

Such advice is offered women of the world by no less a personage than William de Mille, who sends this startling message through his latest Paramount production, "Don't Call It Love," which will be shown at the National Theatre Monday.

"Wives! Be unusual!"

To the average spirited American man, nothing is more tiring than monotony, according to the theme of "Don't Call It Love." It is therefore necessary that a woman, if she would continue to hold the interest of her husband after marriage, be different.

"I do not believe this picture intends to convey that a woman, to be different, must be inconsistent," says Nita Naldi, a featured member of the cast. "She should be consistent in her attentions to her husband—and her attentions should be only for her husband. She should use her personality in varying ways. She should dress differently; that is, instead of having all her house dresses pink or blue, she should have variety in color and style. These things would serve to keep her husband's interest centered on her at all times, whereas, if she allows her clothes and personality and appearance to become monotonous, he would seek elsewhere for the 'something different' his life demands."

In the new de Mille photoplay, the effect of monotonous, everyday love is brought home with unusual force by a triangle affair carried on by Agnes Ayers, Nita Naldi and Jack Holt. Theodore Kosloff and Rod La Rocque are also featured.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 1.—A small automobile, the worse for wear was found on a highway near here with a bill of sale signed by the owner and left blank to be filled out by the purchaser, attached to it. A note left with the bill of sale explained that who ever found the machine could have it by paying the highway taxes due on it.

TOKIO, Feb. 2.—Two small boys, inspired by one of the "blood and thunder" American movie pictures, were responsible for the wrecking of a train on which were twenty-five members of the Japanese diet. The wreck, which had of minor consequence, caused the greatest excitement, some believing it had been planned by anti-government plotters. Later, it was discovered the two youngsters only wanted to emulate the movie actors and decided to try it out on a train.

TENZA, Italy, Feb. 2.—An earthquake prediction contest seems to be in order here as the result of ridicule directed against Professor Bendani, expert quake forecaster. Incensed by the didicule of other seismologists, Bendani has challenged them to publish their forcasts for March, comparing them with his own which he offers to publish in full. Bendani refuses to disclose the methods he uses in foretelling earth shocks, declaring his research work is not yet complete.

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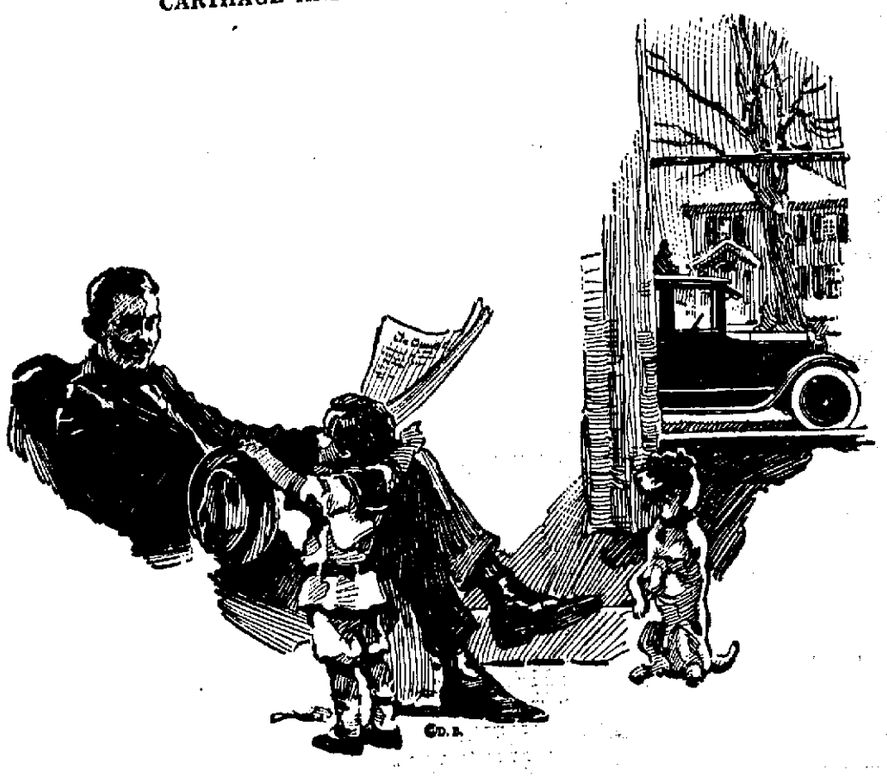

A Story of Success

How Studebaker Cars became leaders

145,000 people last year paid $200,000,000 for them

THE most talked-about cars among fine cars are the Studebaker Sixes—at $975 and up.

Sales have almost trebled in the past three years. The demand for these cars, growing by leaps and bounds, has been Motordom's chief sensation.

Over $200,000,000 was last year spent for Studebaker models.

Now we wish to explain, to all who are interested, the reasons for that success.

Studebaker has always led

For 72 years the name Studebaker has stood for quality and class.

Studebaker equipages, in the carriage days, held premier place. The White House owned them in the days of Grant and Harrison.

Now we make motor cars only. But the Studebaker name, in this modern field, simply had to maintain its prestige.

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We had the money, we had the incentive — we who now control. And our one ambition has been to maintain the Studebaker place.

$90,000,000 assets behind us

Studebaker assets are $90,000,000. We have $50,000,000 in modern plants and equipment.

Not old plants re-adapted. We have spent $32,000,000 in new plants in five years. We have equipped them with 12,500 up-to-date machines.

Over $8,000,000 was spent on drop forge plants alone. Another $10,000,000 on body plants, to maintain our prestige in coach building.

We believe that no other plant in the country is so well equipped to build quality cars as Studebaker.

Engineering—$500,000 yearly

We created an engineering department which costs $500,000 yearly.

There are 125 skilled men there who devote their time to studying betterments in cars. They make 500,000 tests yearly.

There is a department of Methods and Standards. They decide and fix every standard in these cars.

Our factories employ 1,200 inspectors, to make 30,000 inspections on all Studebakers cars. Few flaws, few mistakes can escape them. That, we believe, is the finest organization ever devoted to motor car building.

The price of quality

On some steel alloys for vital parts we pay 15% extra to get them exact.

We spend $600,000 yearly to machine all surfaces of crank shafts, just as in Liberty Airplane Motors. That is the reason for that perfect balance, that absence of vibration.

Every Studebaker car is Timken-equipped. The Special-Six and the Big-Six have more Timken bearings than any car selling under $5,600 in America. The Light-Six more than any competitive car within $1,000 of its price.

Open cars have real leather upholstery. They cost $25 more per car than imitation leather.

Our closed cars have Chase Mohair upholstery. This is made from the soft fleece of Angora goats. And a Sedan requires from 15 to 18 yards.

Velour for this upholstery would save us up to $100 per car.

Note the finish of every detail. Mark the infinite care. They add 25% to labor cost on luxurious closed bodies.

Note the completeness of our larger closed cars. The nickel-plated bumpers, the extra disc wheels and cord tires, the steel trunk, the courtesy light, etc. Think what they would cost you, bought as extras.

Thus we have made the Studebaker the leader of quality cars. We have built a demand exceeding 145,000 cars per year.

Learn the results of these efforts, in fairness to yourself. Don't buy a car at $1,000 or over without knowing what we offer.

Compare the parts and details. Mark the advantages we offer — scores on scores. Our experience is that 95% of those who do that buy a Studebaker car.

Learn why 145,162 bought Studebakers in 1923

Studebakers hold the top place in the fine car field today.

In 1919, the public paid over $80,000,000 for 39,356 Studebaker cars.

In 1920, the public paid over $100,000,000 for 51,474 Studebaker cars, an increase of 31% over 1919.

In 1921, the public paid over $120,000,000 for 66,643 Studebaker cars, an increase of 29% over 1920.

In 1922, the public paid over $155,000,000 for 110,269 Studebaker cars, an increase of 66% over 1921.

In 1923, the public paid over $201,000,000 for 145,162 Studebaker cars, an increase of 32% over 1922.

In 1924, business has opened with Studebaker as never before.

Learn why all these buyers preferred Studebakers.

LIGHT-SIX 5-Pass. 112" W. B. 40 H. P.	
Touring	$ 995.00
Roadster (3-Pass.)	975.00
Coupe-Roadster (2-Pass.)	1195.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1395.00
Sedan	1485.00

SPECIAL-SIX 5-Pass. 119" W. B. 50 H. P.	
Touring	$1350.00
Roadster (2-Pass.)	1325.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1895.00
Sedan	1985.00

BIG-SIX 7-Pass. 126" W. B. 60 H. P.	
Touring	$1750.00
Speedster (5-Pass.)	1835.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	2495.00
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Third Great National Campaign For Better Homes Is Planned

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3—The third great national campaign for Better Homes in America will be held this year earlier than ever before—during the week of May 11 to 18. This is the third year of this movement which originated from a thought expressed by the late President Harding in a speech delivered at Akron, Ohio, in 1921.

The central organization, which is completely divorced from all commercialism, has Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, as its president. Harvard University has granted leave of absence to Dr. James Ford, authority on housing and community organization, in order that he can conduct the nation wide demonstrations for the development of home life in America during 1924. Headquarters have been moved from New York to Washington, at 166 Pennsylvania Avenue.

The aims of Better Homes in America may be summed up briefly as follows: To show the advantages of thrift for home ownership, to overcome the shortage of homes in this country, estimated at 800,000, to strengthen home life and make it attractive, to assist and encourage home- makers—ninety-two per cent of the housewives of America do their own housework—to improve the home environment, thereby promoting the physical and moral development of the child, to stimulate sensible purchasing for home improvement, and to mobilize community pride for a common object—pride of home.

The late President Harding was heart and soul interested in this educational movement, publicly commending it in strong terms. He wrote to Secretary Hoover that "not only is there the primary consideration on advanced material comfort but the soundness of our social system and stability of our country are greatly enhanced by the development of love for a home and the creation of a home that can be loved"

Mr. Hoover is authority for the statement that "A hundred years from now your descendants will still be reaping the harvest of your labor for Better Homes in America."

The Better Homes campaigns were first organized in 1922, when hundreds of committees, scattered from coast to coast and from the Gulf of Mexico north beyond the Artic Circle in Alaska, enthusiastically took part. The first prize that year was awarded to New Haven, Connecticut. There the committee took a house of the $8,000 class as a model. The committee, backed by the cooperation of practically every philanthropic, civic and business organization of the city, also put before families of very limited means a powerful object lesson by equipping a model tenement in the heart of the city which could have been duplicated for $550.

Spokane, Washington, exhibited and demonstrated three model houses, representing a price range of from $4,500 to $12,000. One of the most interesting and instructing demonstrations of Better Homes in 1922 was at St. Helena Island, S. C. A plantation cabin was remodeled, furnished and equipped, the program being put in the hands of a group of colored men and women who carried it out splendidly. Every article in the cabin was placed there with the object of demonstrating the need for it and its use, and to show that it was within the reach of the average industrious working family. Daily lessons were given to show how time and labor might be saved in running such a home.

Last year the premier award went to Port Huron, Michigan, where a house was financed, completely furnished, and demonstrated entirely by a group of students in the high school. Gradually the work of the youngsters took hold of the community spirit of the entire city, every member of the community falling into line before Better Homes Week was over. Eight thousand people went through the house which had been planned, built, furnished, and demonstrated by the school boys and girls of Port Huron.

On the last day of the demonstration of this model "better home" it was sold at public auction for exactly $300 more than it had cost to erect and completely furnish.

The demonstrations have been broad in their scope, and it is planned to have them broader this year and in succeeding years. One great aim of Better Homes in America is to impress upon those having in charge the education of children the need of teaching young girls home management, and the disbursement of household budgets.

The phenomenal success of the high school students of Port Huron last year completely won over the educational authorities there, who have voted to put a model house on the high school campus, for conducting courses in home management and economics. These school authorities take the view that such education is of far greater and more lasting value than many of the academic and scientific courses prescribed for high school girls today. They know that for every girl who takes up chemistry for instance, as a life work, there are thousands upon thousands who devote their lives to the business of being wives and mothers.

Those responsible for Better Homes in America are working toward the end of having the example set by the Port Huron high schools followed by every school in the country.

The importance of books, pictures and music is stressed, as well as the myriad details of physical construction and equipment, such as having the kitchen sink under a window, so that the steam goes out of the window instead of into the dish washer's lungs. Contests to determine the best two hundred books for a model home resulted in thousands of interesting lists, the Bible leading all other selections.

AMERICAN TENNIS STAR TO PLAY IN PARIS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Molla Mallory, seven times American tennis champion, barred from the American Olympic team because she once played for Norway in the Olympics, will accept the invitation to play in Paris next summer for Norway, it was learned today.

Mrs. Mallory has not officially accepted the invitation extended to her by the Norwegian Olympic officials but she will do so as soon as she feels sure of her legal grounds.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 2.—An average of 15 children a day was the birth record set here during January, reports show. A total of 455 infants saw the light of day in the first month of the year in Dallas. January and February are always banner birth months, officials say.

Dope Addict Poses As Fortune Teller

A man who gave his name as W. B. Harrison was arrested here Friday afternoon by local officers charged with fortune-telling. According to the officers it later developed that he was a "dope" addict and that he had several hypodermic needles on his person. On a search of the room in which he was staying, the officers stated that some of the "dope" was discovered in solution.

According to the man's statement his home is at Greenville and he had been in the city only five days previous to his arrest. He said that during that time he had given only 8 readings and that he had not made his board at that. He also said that he was sick and wanted to go home, as he felt that that was the place for him.

His arrest followed a complaint filed by a lady who had gone to him for a reading. It is said that he told the lady that she would receive a message requiring her to make a long journey, and as she has a son in another state who is said to be quite ill she became very uneasy concerning his condition and took her misgivings to the justice court. One of the officers immediately took off his ensignia of office and visited the room of the supposed fortune-teller under the ruse of having his own future presented to him and brought the accused person back with him.

On the inability of the prisoner to give bond he was placed in the city jail to await trial.

OTTAWA, Feb. 1.—Professor John Sharp saw a chicken thief prowling about his barn early today. Garbed in his night gown and armed with a lantern he gave chase. Up into the hay-mow of the barn ran the thief, the professor with his lantern in pursuit. Finally Sharp got close enough to hurl his lantern at the intruder. The hay caught fire, burning the barn, causing a $10,000 loss—and the thief escaped.

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Methodists In Texas University Many

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2.—The University of Texas Methodist church is now considering plans for a new Bible Chair which will be built by September, 1924, and will take care of the large number of students who are enrolled in Bible courses in the Wesley Bible Chair, according to Ernest C. Webb, director of Bible courses. A sum of $8,000 has already been collected and $30,000 has been subscribed.

There are 109 students in the classes for the winter term, and it is now impossible for the director to have his usual number of classes, because there is no room which will accommodate them. A new section has been formed, but the classes are still too large, it is stated.

Final plans for the building have not been definitely accepted, but it is certain that there will be a large auditorium on the top floor where 200 or 300 students can be accommodated on Sunday. This auditorium will also be used for Sunday School and for entertainments. The ground floor will have class rooms for the Bible students, a library, cloak rooms and an office for the director.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper will be administered at the close of the 11 o'clock service.

The new pipe organ will be ready for use next Friday and at 7:30 that evening Miss of Dallas will give a recital to which the public is most cordially invited.

The Sunday school is worthy of your attention and time. Why be ignorant of the Bible when you have such a splendid opportunity to study its truths.

What is your attitude toward the Woman's Missionary Society?

What interests have you in the Intermediate League?

Dose the Gospel of John bring you a message on Wednesday night? It will if you attend the prayer meeting

New Members.

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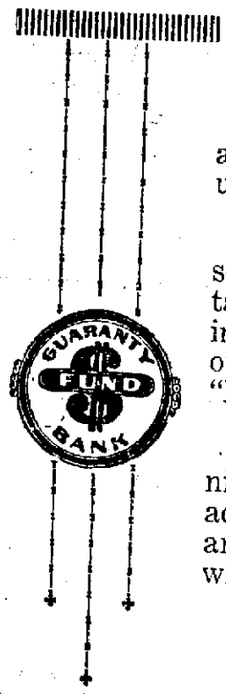

Ability and will, courage and skill—this is what makes up what is called "luck."
It takes will to deny ourselves certain pleasures, certain unnecessary things, but in the long run, if we do deny ourselves, we fall into the "lucky" class.
It may take a little self denial for you to start a bank account, but we believe you are one of the "luck" ones who is going to do it.
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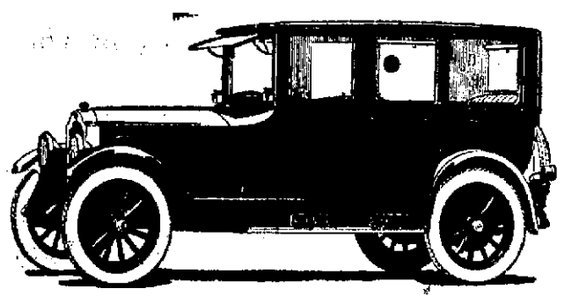
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—Soft carpeting, the quality and beauty of the mohair velvet plush upholstering, inviting depth of cushions, completeness of appointments—these are features of the Special-Six five-passenger Sedan that offer an irresistible appeal.
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Mexia Has First Mid Year Class

OREE STEPHENS, (Junior)

For the first time in its history the Mexia High School has a class beginning the regular first year work in the middle of the year. This is decidedly a step forward in school management. Each year in the past it has been a puzzle for the school officials to know just how to arrange for the class that finishes grammar school at mid-term, for there have been no half grades in high school. Various plans have been tried but none has been very satisfactory. Most of the time students have spent their latter half of the term in work for which they got no credit.

The advantages of the new plan are obvious. Not only will students be obliged to spend time on courses which give no credit, but also those who fail in their work will be given an opportunity to take the course over immediately. Under this plan beginning four years from now, Mexia will have a class graduating at mid-term.

One Minute Sermon

By E. H. HUDSON

Subject: Plain Living and High Thinking.

Text: "Be not anxious, saying what shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewithal shall we be clothed? But seek first the Kingdom of God."

This is a "Jazz Age" in other spheres than the dance hall.

Living is luxurious and complex.

Nothing is simple any more—neither thoughts, nor launguage, nor business, nor pleasure, nor living, nor dying.

Our material needs and wants are multiplied.

With plenty at hand we want more.

Instead of the old-fashioned pound cake and lady cake and jelly cake, we follow complicated recipes of woman's magazines and eat "messes" that satisfy our vanity and ruin our stomachs.

The old wood stove has given place to the Fireless Cooker with its mummied, pallid dishes.

Our half-caret diamond is given to the kid and we sport a three-caret sparkler.

The rabbit skin coat goes to the cook while we array ourselves in "Hudson Seal."

Increased machinery and inventions have multiplied competition and strikes.

Simple, harmless amusements have been set aside for midnight revels that ruin our health and morals.

Increased courts and laws make delays and complicate trails on technicalities, hindering rather than promoting justice.

Increased wealth and comforts have made men selfish and quarrelsome.

We are like discontented, spoiled children, fighting, not for bread, but for the superfluous.

It is not hunger but egotism and vanity that drive men to lawless ambition and avarice.

We need to return to Plain Living and High Thinking.

Plain Living is essential to High Thinking.

Strenuous thinking never comes from pampered living.

The vulgarities of luxury are not conducive to worthy thinking.

Franklin, Lincoln, Edison, Steinmetz lived simple lives and thought high thoughts.

Social competition destroys simple living.

Class is vying with class, church with church and party with party for power and precedence. We are all trying to "keep up with Betty" and go her one better. We want a diamond a little bigger, a dress a little shorter, an auto a little shiner and a house a little finer than "Bett's."

Plain Living and High Thinking will cure many of our ills and remove many of our perils.

Simplicity of private life will give stronger public cohesion.

Simplicity is a great magician; it softens asperities, bridges chasms, draws together hands and hearts. It understands others, esteems others, loves others, thinks good thoughts of others.

Simplicity is the coment binding together the life of individuals, churches, communities and nations.

"What doth the Lord require of thee
But to Love Mercy, Deal Justly and
Walk Humbly?"
"O Friend, I know not which way I
must look
For comfort, being as I am, oppress
To think that now our life is only
drest
For SHOW; mean handiwork of
craftsman, cook
Or groom; we must run glittering like
a brook
In the open sunshine; or we are unblest.
The wealthiest man among us is the
best;
No grandeur now in nature or in book
Delights us—Rapine, Avarice, Expense
This is idolatry and these we adore,
PLAIN LIVING AND HIGH THINKING ARE NO MORE;
The homely beauty of the good old
cause
Is gone—our peace, our simple
innocence,
And pure religion, breathing household laws."

A CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to the good people of the Point Enterprise community for their kindness and many favors we have received in the illness of our beloved family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bradshaw.

EASTERN STAR NOTICE

The Eastern Star will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Masonic Hall, Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The business session will be followed by a reception and all members are urged to be present and on time.

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Bible School at 9:45. A class for every age.

Worshipand preaching at 11:00. Subject for the sermon: "The Power of God's Word."

Christian Endeavor at 6:30.

Preaching service at 7:30. The subject for the evening message will be "The whole duty of man." In presenting this subject, Solomon will appear on the stage as a great actor, and in five acts give us the lesson and the conclusion relative to the whole duty of man. Hear this message. Wednesday night is "Church Night."

Bible study from 7:15 to 8:00. Choir practice following the Bible study period.

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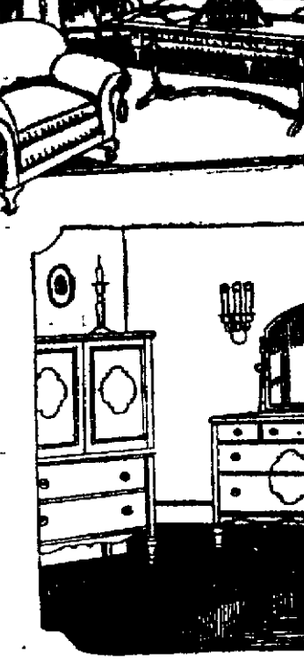

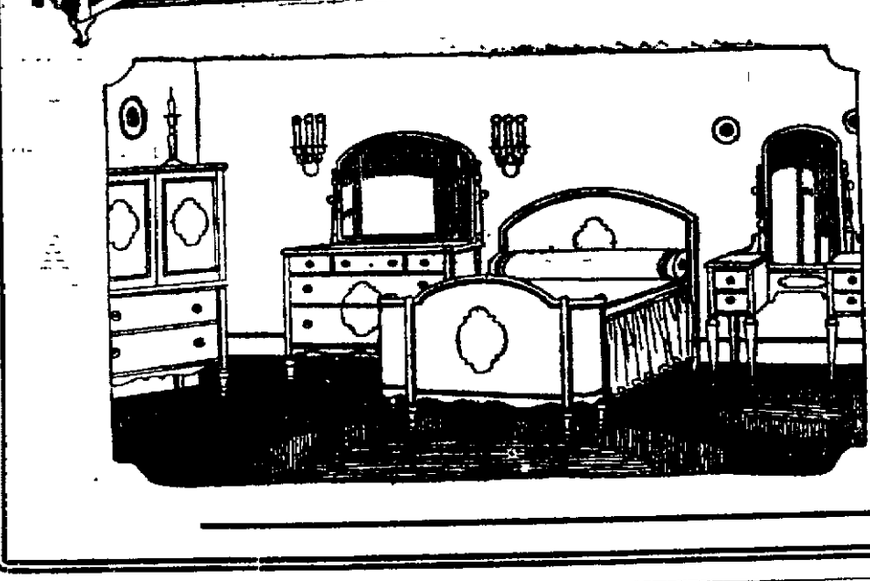

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The Western Agricultural Chemical Company expect to have their fertilizer factory running full blast in Mexia as soon as the machinery can be shipped here and installed. In the meantime the company is shipping in a supply of the different standard formulas to meet the immediate demands of the farmers. One car is now spotted at the warehouse and several other cars are on the way. The building formerly occupied by the Republic Supply Co., located just west and across the tracks from the H. & T. C. freight depot will be our temporary quarters until our new building can be constructed.

SEE OR PHONE OUR MR. ROY STOKES.

at the warehouse or call on C. H. Walton and O. A. Stubbs in the Farmers State Bank building for any formula and in any amount you may need.

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District Court's Decision Has No Effect on Automobile Taxes Until Higher Courts Speak Out

The decision of the 77th district court of Limestone county pertaining to the new highway law, in which the court declared the new measure unconstitutional, does not effect the payments made for automobile registration, according to county attorney Scott Reed, who represented the commissioners court in the injunction suit heard and granted last Tuesday

He states that it is his understanding that the matter will not be definitely settled until the higher courts give their opinion, following the appeal made from the decision of the district court.

Since the question is yet pending he points out the new law is yet considered effective and registration payments are made on that basis.

Scott Reed Announces For Second Term as Limestone County Attorney

Scott Reed, county attorney of Limestone County, was in Mexia Friday, at which time, he announced that he was a candidate for re-election to the office which he now holds His name has been added to the growing list of candidates now seeking favor at the hands of the voters of Limestone County

Mr. Reed has been an aggressive and vigorous county attorney and during his past two years of service the county has risen to a high place among the orderly sections of the country, where men respect the law rather than merely fear it. His term has been so successful and so satisfactory to the people that he is justified in asking that he be extended the characteristic policies of democrats to re-elect a good officer to his second term.

He is a Limestone county product and his fellow citizens have been glad to honor one of their native sons. A veteran in times of war, he has no less been a splendid soldier in times of peace.

While in the office of County Attorney, he has given himself over seriously to the people's business in connection with that office. He has been content with serving the public diligently, faithfully and unafraid.

This same attention to detail and to every phase of the county attorney duties, he is certain to carry into the office next term

Pleasing in personality, easy to meet and always disposed to transact business in a most respectful manner a forceful speaker, yet in the prime of young manhood, and, with a reputation for integrity of character and upright, gentlemanly conduct, in private as well as in public life, Limestone county is practically certain to grasp the opportunity to secure his services another two years term.

Scout News

Growing? Yes by leaps and bounds.

Troop No. 1 met Friday night in the basement of the Baptist church, with Scoutmaster Rochelle in charge. After a very enthusiastic meeting, a number of the scouts passed the Tenderfoot test, the test that is necessary before a boy may become a regular scout.

Troop No. 2 met in the basement of the Methodist church, with an attendance of thirty-four. Mr. Willets, Scountmaster was right on the job, filling the boys with peptoriam, giving them some very instructive work. Mr. Willets took Troop No. 2 out Saturday afternoon for a hike, giving them the first real outing since his troop was organized.

Troop No. 3 met Friday night in the basement of the Christian church, with Scout master Dale and Assistant Scoutmaster Dr. Porter in charge. Mr. Dale reports a splendid meeting, with a full attendance present.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Dale took his troop out for a real hike, which the boys enjoyed to the fullest.

Troop No. 4 met in the basement of the Baptist church, Scoutmaster Booker being out of the city, J. P. Dunaway met with Troop No. 4, representing Mr. Booker. Scoutmaster Rochelle tested out a few of troop No. 4 for the Tenderfoot test, a number of the boys passing.

Mr. Willets will organize a new troop within the next few days to care for the overflow of boys, the meeting place for the new troop will be announced later, this will make five troops to date, which proves conclusively that the boys are ready for the movement.

J. P. Dunaway invited Troops No. 1 and four to a Weiner roast which took place Saturday night at the Reunion Grounds, the boys hiked out Saturday afternoon under the direction of Assistant Scoutmaster Harper, Mr. Dunaway joining them later with the Weiners and the fixings. Did the boys enjoy it? You bet! They were good and hungry, and the twenty pounds of Weiners evaported like unto ice in July.

Scoutmaster Rochelle announced to his troop Friday that he would start next week a drill at Hughes Park and you may watch this drill with interest as well as the boys, this is a great boy builder, watch 'em grow.

Scouting is the process of making real men out of ys, by a real program which works.

Scouting is a happy, wholesome, worth-while, outdoor school.

Scouting is a huge, splendidly organized game, with all the fine zest of competition, the finer zest of cooperation, the keen testing of mind and muscle, the essential good sportsmanship of a football game. Only it is a constructive game, a progressive game. It gets somewhere.

Scouting is more than a game. It teaches signaling and first aid and fire fighting and outdoor cookry and a host of other useful and important things. It teaches also selfreliance and helpfulness, courage and courtesy loyalty and reverence, patriotism and honor, and other kindred sualities of good repute.

Scouting is non-sectarian, though its ideals are in accord with those of the modern church and it is based upon a pledge allegiance to the service of God, the brotherhood of man.

Scouting is not organized for war service, nor yet exclusively for peace service. It is organized for SERVICE all service, any service, high or humble, big or little, just service.

Incidentally it inculcates the soldier virtues of discipline, hardiness, courage, obedience and patriotism, a patriotism which holds itself ready to serve its country in whatever form the need and the call may come. Preparedness of this kind is the scout platform.

Scouting is democratic. It aims not to run every boy into one groove, but to help each to develop into the fullest manhood of which he is capable, and individual in the highest sense of the word, with recognized responsibility to himself and society.

Scouting is democratic also in that it knows no bounds of class, creed, or race. It speaks the universal language of world boyhood. It is the great melting pot of American youth.

The end and aim of Scouting is good citizenship, to make men "physically strong, mentally awake, morally straight."

This is what Scouting is and what Scouting means. Is it not a cause worth promoting, working for with all your might, Scoutmsaters now and to be, especially in this vrucial hour of our nation's history?

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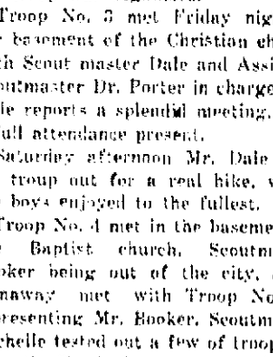

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Mothers Ask That Pastors Observe Child Welfare Day

The Mothers Council met in regular session Wednesday at the Library, Mrs. White, presiding.

The attendance was good, which was very gratifying to the president The reports from each school proved very interesting, showing that each president of the Parent-Teachers Associations is working enthusiastically for the good of all the schools. As February 17 is Child Welfare Day a motion carried that we ask our pastors to observe this day, as it comes on Sunday. Committees were appointed to consult with them about this.—Reporter.

LOCAL STUDENTS MAY COMPETE FOR $150 PRIZE

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2—Studetns of the high schools of Limestone county are given the opportunity to compete for $150 in prizes offered by C. M. Caldwell, regent of the University of Texas, and by the Dallas News, for the best essays written on local history. Mr. Caldwell has contributed $100 of the fund, and the Dallas News, $50. The most notable local history essay written in the state-wide local history contest will be awarded $40, and a large number of smaller monetary awards will be given to other successful contestants. All manuscripts must be submitted before Many 1, according to Prof, W. P. Webb, of the University of Texas, history department, who is in charge of the contest. Further details will be furnished by him to all who request them.

"Every community of Texas, it matters not how small or how large it may be, has a local, a unique, and absorbing history, most interesting," said Professor Webb, who is the originator of the local history prize offer. "Every high school student of the state should take pride in recording the history of his own community will bring to light unpublished bits of history, so interesting and delightful, that the research student will feel more than repaid for his efforts. For each competitor, there is also the possibility of winning one of the prizes and the honor of having his article published."

Professor Webb's idea of local history follows:

"Local history is the history which may be found in your own community It is the history of your church, your town, your court house, or some interesting person. The story of an Indian fight that occurred near your home is local history, as is the account of a drouth, of a flood, or a fire Local history is not the story of important men or of great events. It is likely to be the story of the unimportant. In detail, it may be extremely interesting; in the aggregate, it is of great importance. From both points of view, it will be worth having. All essays, then should treat of local subjects, that are not too widely known."

Tax Payments In Mexia Are Large

J. D. Arrington, tax collector for the Mexia School District, states that the records show at the close of business January 31st, 1924, that that office had received approximately $116,000 for the school fund up to that time. He also added that this was about 90 per cent of the school taxes and is a far better percentage than was collected on the same date in 1923. For the entire previous year, the office received only about $90,000.

R. D. Morgan states that about 85 per cent of all city taxes have been paid.

1180 poll taxes were paid in Mexia. This is from the city alone and indicates that between 1500 and 1600 is the voting power of the Mexia box alone.

Electrical horsepower used in manufacturing in the United States increased from 8,835,970 in 1914 to more than 20,000,000 in 1923.

Prisoner Jailed For Drunkenness Breaks Out Wednesday Night

Another prisoner broke out of the city jail Wednesday night. He was placed in the jail for drunkenness and the officers stated that they had to resort to force to bring him in. They were successful in jailing him but sometime during the night he made a get-away carrying off the lock of the door.

Motor car owners of the United States paid out $294,000,000 in insurance premiums on their cars in 1923.

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By George McManus

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LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Two black horse mules, seven and eight years old, 16 hands high, weight 1100 lbs. No blemishes. Also one brown horse mule five years old, 16 hands high, stripes over fore shoulder. One bay mare 16 hands high, weight 950 lbs. 6 years old. Notify Marvin Cogdell, at Mexia, Texas, phone 290. Reward. 30D3

LOST—Wednesday at Sumpter Street School or between school and Milam street a gold wrist watch, hexagon shape, Roco Maye make, Swiss movements. Notify J. T. Dixon, 207 Kennedy street. Phone 61. 1D3

WANTED TO BUY—E

WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred, Jesse McClendon, room 1 McClendon building, Mexia, Texas. 18E30

WANTED—Derricks and buildings to wreck. Also 2-inch, 1-inch and ¾-inch galvanized pipe for water line. R. Bates, phone 815, Groesbeck, Texas. 31E1

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10tf.

FOR EXCHANGE—Modern five room residence in Waco, worth $5,000 to exchange for a home in Mexia of about equal value. T. S. Whiteley & Co., 503½ Austin Avenue, Waco, Texas. 23F7

FOR SALE—J

WHITE LEGHORN hatching eggs for sale. J. W. Radley White Leghorn Farm. Route 1 box 6, Mexia. 30J1

FOR SALE—Let me set your incubator with eggs from my S. C. English White Leghorns that are winter layers. Eggs 15 for $1.25, 100 $7.00. W. Ray McGee, Point Enterprise, Mexia, Texas. 29J3

FOR SALE—A good 50 acre sandy land farm. Well improved. 35 acres in cultivation. Good for cotton, corn, potatoes, fruit and vegetables. F. B. Reed, Point Enterprise, Route 4, Mexia. 22J19

A CROW will lay in the summer. Radley's White Leghorns lay now. Come out on the Reunion Ground Road and see for yourself. A few hatching eggs for sale now. J. W. Radley White Leghorn Farm. Route 1, box 6, Mexia. 30J1

FOR SALE—Good six room house on East Titus street. One block west of Ross Avenue, lot 50 x115 feet. Nice location and priced to sell. Lights and water connections. T. J. McAdams Mexia, Route 7. 30J1

FOR SALE—Pierless Popcorn kettle machine. Cheap if sold at once. Phone 557-J, 101 E. Carthage. 29J5

FOR SALE—One of best little cash suburban stores in town. Address "Grocery," Mexia News. 1J7

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FOR RENT—Good five room house, also two furnished light housekeeping rooms. 723 S. McKinney. Phone 383-W. 1K2

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FOR RENT—Two bed rooms. 200 E. Titus street. 31L7

FOR RENT—Desirable one or three room apartments; light, gas and water furnished. Young Rooms, 207 South Red River. Phone 107-W. 1L7

FOR RENT—Three light housekeeping rooms. 307 N. Ross. Phone 348. 1L3

FOR RENT—One large room and kitchenette, water, light and gas; 2 blocks N. Post Office; suitable for couple. 318 N. Sherman. Phone 108J. Mrs. A. A. Steele. 1L2

FOR RENT—Unfurnished two room house. Lights, gas and water. Close in. 316 East Titus. 3L2

Dallas Leadin Buildings 1923

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 2.—Dallas led all other cities in Texas by nearly $2,000,000 in building last year, according to figures compiled by S. W. Strauss Company.

Only one other Texas city exceeded Dallas' total—Houston.

Figures for Texas cities were:

Dallas, $20,988,319; Houston, $19,696,851; Ft. Worth, $5,264; San Antonio, $8,053,216; Paso, $2,101,700; Galveston, $1,876; and Wichita Falls, $1,74.

Atlanta's total was $27,094,198.

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Mme. Curie, discoverer of radium, has been living in poverty in Paris. She has devoted every hour she possessed to scientific research. The French parliament granted her a state pension of $22 a year.

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Mr. and Mrs. W Rogers are the proud parents of a fine baby boy which arrived early Wednesday morning. The baby weighed nine pounds.

Dempsey And Harry Wills Can't Fight

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—In the course of tracking down mysterious millionaires who are bidding wild for a heavyweight contest between Harry Wills and Luis Firpo, some very interesting facts concerning the entire heavyweight situation have been learned from a source that is absolutely authentic and reliable.

These facts are:

That Jack Dempsey and Harry Wills positively can not fight this year and it is doubtful that they ever will be allowed to fight in this country.

That Tex Rickard will promote the Wills-Firpo fight—if they fight.

That Rickard will meet the bid of any rival promoter and that he will have the advantage in his favor because of his reputation.

That there is only one State in the country that is willing to listen to a mixed bout and that this State will sanction a Wills-Firpo bout only after some clever political manipulation.

That New York State positively will not grant permission for a Dempsey-Will or a Firpo-Wills fight.

That the authorities are willing to sanction a Dempsey-Gibbons or a Dempsey-Firpo fight but they will not permit Dempsey to fight more than twice and probably not more than once this summer.

While positive information was not secured, it was understood that Connecticut is the only State that will even listen to a proposal for a mixed heavyweight fight and that Pennsylvania and New York will never permit one.

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A survey in St. Louis shows that 58 per cent of the traffic entering the business district during the day comprised automobiles and 10 per cent comprised street cars. But, street cars, carried 67 per cent of the people to the business district while only 25 per cent moved in automobiles.

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Each individual in the United States is required to contribute the equivalent of 6 1-2 weeks' income to pay his taxes, according to the figures on per capita tax levies as related to income.

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Oil Country Now Producing Pecans

BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, Feb. 2.—More than 110,000 pounds of pecans have been shipped from Breckenridge this season, according to officials of the J. T. Webster Warehouse here.

The pecans are shipped to eastern markets principally. The average price is about eleven cents a pound. One more shipment is expected to be made before the winter is over.

The pecans constitute one of the chief shipping products of this section.

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COULDN'T SEE HER OWN FATE

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 2.—Tho Madame Mummy was a fortune teller she admitted in court here that she couldn't foretell how her trial on vagrancy charges would come out.

So after meditating a bit Judge Campbell called into play his own occult powers and said she was not guilty.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be holden in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 16th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 828 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars ($40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars ($20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County.

Issued this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County, Tex.
16-23-30-6

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INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL.

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6,000 for the year 1923.

CANDIDATES

Announcements

1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

The following candidates for the offices named submit their names subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held in Limestone county on the 26th day of July, 1924:

For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN

For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.

For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD

For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.

For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS, (re-election.)

For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.

For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)

For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)

County Attorney—
SCOTT REED (re-election, second term.)

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MEXIA BLACK CAT TEAMS WIN TWO GAMES FRIDAY

By CY TOBB

The Mexia Hi Black Cat Cagers, both girls and boys, won a game each Friday on the High School court. This makes the total for the girls of two games lost and an equal number won. The boys have played six games and stand on the .500 per cent mark.

Friday afternoon the Wortham Hi sextet journeyed down to the Limestone metropolis and were handed a nice little 31 to 12 defeat by the wearers of the Crimson and the Black. The girls team under the coaching of Miss Anne V. Earle, physical director for the High school, is comparatively small in stature but have an eye for the goal and are capable of shooting goals at remarkable angles and degrees. Clara Belle Bybee and Lilla Taylor showed up well for the Me-Hi girls at forwards while Ruby Kennedy played an exceptionally good game at center. The Wortham girls threatened to make the game very interesting for the locals as at the end of the first quarter the score was tied at 8 all. But they fell down on the threat as the were not accustomed to the court and the local basket tossers marched on.

The boys team, unable to secure a game with either Mart, Marlin or Corsicana, played the fast Delia quintet on the high school court Friday night at 7:45. They defeated the Delia basket tossers by a score of 17 to 10.

This game was hotly contested from the first whistle until the last. The Delia boys showed better team work at times than the Black Cat cagers but were not accustomed to the indoor court and practically all of their shots, after pretty passing, went wild. The game was rather rough at times but no members of either team received any serious injury. Treadway, right forward for the Black Cats, received a small gash over the eye when he hit the floor during the early part of the game. The Delia boys were a little smaller than the locals but had a faster team.

Simmons, a new player from Temple showed up excellently in the game and was high point man for the locals. He shot three field goals. He was closely followed by Lucas who had two field goals and one free goal. Treadway shot two field goals and Cox one.

J. K. Hughes Gives Interesting Talk To The Nairators Club

By DOYLE PERKINSON
(Junior)

The Natators Club met in regular session Thursday, Jan. 30 at 3:00 o'clock. After a brief business session during which they had a report from the initiation committee stating that the initiation of new members would take place the following Thursday afternoon in the gymnasium. A report from the grounds committee by whom they were instructed to locate a place where cinders were available; and a discussion of the plans for the program to be given by this club Feb 29. Mr. J. K. Hughes then entertaining them with a very practical and intellectual address.

Mr. Hughes selected for his subject "The Importance of Establishing a Line of Credit." Mr. Hughes stated that credit did not mean borrowing money on ample security but upon bankers confidence in you. He brought out the fact that it was this same line of credit which should be established with sweetheart and wife, as well as the banker, employer, and business associates. "This particular line of credit," said Mr. Hughes, "with wife and sweetheart, also is established, by inspiring confidence because of ones personal reliability."

All of these points are skillfully illustrated by examples from his own personal experiences and those of his associates. Throughout all of his talk the members gave Mr. Hughes their undivided attention. As a result of his talk there was a feeling established among the boys that they could take these principles and apply them to their own life. The club greatly appreciated Mr. Hughes' address and in the near future intend to have other business men to appear before them.

Manual Training

MANDELL CLINE. (Junior)

The Mexia Public Library wanted a magazine rack made. They had intended to hire a man to do the work but for some reason he was unable to undertake it. So the Manual Training boys agreed to make the article. When finished it will be five feet high and about six feet long. There will be six racks for magazines which are to stand with heads up first.

This is only one out of many things being constructed in the Manual Training classes. Before the year is out several boys expect to have built some expensive chests and numerous other articles of value. With modern machinie that they have the schoolboys can do pretty work as is seen in the furniture stores.

LOYE McDONALD (Senior)

The faculty and student body were greatly pleased this week when it was announced that several boxes of new books had arrived for the library. The are were several additions to the chemistry shelves and to the fiction shelves and a complete set of Encyclopaedia Britannica. These last are the gift of the graduating class of 1923 and represent the value of nearly two hundred dollars.

Mr. Lee Steele of Ardmore, Oklahoma arrived here last Saturday to become a member of the High School faculty. Mr. Steele assumed his duties on Monday morning as teacher of the freshman class that has just come to High School. Mr. Steele was formerly a teacher in the Berwyn High School. He is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma at Norman. He says that he finds teaching in Mexia a pleasure. We extend to him a hearty welcome, hoping that he will continue to find his stay here pleasant.

A handsome Grand piano now adorns the platform of the auditorium at High School. The piano is not the property of the school, having been loaned somewhat in the sense of trial by the music house in Teague of which Mr. Dooley is representative. The students enjoyed its use at this week's assembly and they would be happy to have it installed as a permanent fixture.

Intra-mural basket ball games are the center of interest at present. The Senior boys initiated the movement by challenging the Juniors. The Juniors accepted the challenge, and the game resulted in a 30-4 score in favor of the underclassmen. The successful team will play the winner in the Freshman-Sophomore contest.

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Monday 3:30 p. m, Missionary Society.
Tuesday 7:30 p. m, Meeting of Board of Deacons.
Wednesday 7:15 p. m, Church night.
Wednesday 8:00 p m, Choir Practice

MIRIAM BASS, (Senior)

The Senior Class met Monday afternoon to choose the class flower and motto. After quite a discussion the Dorothy Perkins rose was decided on as the flower. The motto chosen is "The ropes that we pull today will ring the bells of tomorrow." The most important matter of business was left to the last—Senior Privileges! The president appointed a committee to draw up a list of privileges which the Seniors would like to have granted.

On Wednesday morning Mr. Andrews called a meeting of the Seniors. After a talk which was very fitting for the occasion, he announced that the following privileges would be granted to the fourth year class. The Seniors are to have their examinations a week earlier than the other classes. They will be granted exemption, provided they have an average of 90 per cent and a reasonable attendance. Seniors are to have a class day in which they will have charge of the Assembly program, being given liberty the remainder of the day.

The announcements were received with enthusiasm by the Seniors who have been looking forward to them for some time.

Fire Chief Pittman inspected fire drill Thursday. He expressed himself as being pleased with general situation stating that the building was practically fire-proof, that the conditions of order and cleanliness about the premises lessened any possible fire-hazard, and that the fire-drill itself was very creditable.

LONGVIEW, Texas, Feb 2—Two women and a baby had an exciting experience here when the infant fell out of an automobile driven by its mother, Mrs. Nellie Anthony. The mother abandoned the wheel and jumped from the machine to rescue her child. An aunt of the infant likewise leaped from the cars. All three rolled along the pavement barely escaping being struck by another machine. Regaining the baby and their feet the mother and the aunt ran after the automobile, jumped in it and drove on, unhurt.

Miss Johnnie Moore was a visitor to the city from Ranger Thursday.

Local News

Mrs. M. Maunder of St. Louis was a Thursday visitor to the city.

G. C. Calhoun of Corsicana was here Friday.

J. S. Cone of Sherman was in the city Friday.

Miss Hazel Miles of Corsicana was a Friday visitor to the city.

R. D. Abel of Waco was here on Thursday.

J. P. B. Moore, Jr., of Corsicana was a Thursday visitor to the city.

C. N. Atkins was here Thursday from Cisco.

C. L. Smith of Waco was here Thursday.

Mrs. L. Riddle and sister were here Thursday from Ft. Worth.

J. L. Montgomery was here Thursday from Waco.

Bert Moore of Ranger was in the city Thursday.

Mrs. A. B. Haywood of Corsicana was in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Smith were in the city Thursday from Dallas.

P. F. Wallace of Jacksonville was here Thursday.

V. A. Neath was here Thursday from Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hopson were here Friday from Waco.

J. C. Looney of Corsicana was here Friday.

R. D. Abel of Waco was here Friday.

Mrs. T. C. Bourke of Dallas was a visitor to Mexia Friday.

Fletcher Adair of Groesbeck was a Mexia visitor last Thursday.

John I. McElroy joined the sick list the past week.

Claude King has also been confined to his home with a touch of the prevailing "flue."

County Attorney Scott Reed was a Mexia visitor Friday.

New York City has more telephones than Great Britain and Chicago has a larger number than France.

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Central Presbyterian Church
Rev. Victor K. Aubrey, Pastor

TEAM WORK IS THE THING
THAT BUILDS GOOD COMMUNITIES

In the old days—that are not so far behind us but that some of us can remember them—one daily task was to get in wood for the fires. Another task was to fill the kerosene lamps and trim their wicks and polish the lamp chimneys. Plans were made for long lonesome evenings.

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WOODROW WILSON IS DEAD

News Of Death Reaches Mexia First Over Radio

By The United Press.

News of the death of Woodrow Wilson, wartime president of the United States, was received in Mexia first over radio. The message came that he had passed peacefully away at 10:15, Washington time, which message was delivered to hundreds while assembled at the various Sunday schools of the city.

The news of death created a profound shock and a universal sorrow, despite the fact that it was only the expected that had happened.

Woodrow Wilson

(By United Press)

The death of Woodrow Wilson removes the dominant world figure of the decade from 1910 to 1920. Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt will probably go into history as the leading actors on history's stage during the generation in which they were the culmination.

Only the mature judgment of history can assign Wilson his certain place. He lived and worked and ruled in the years that produced Kaiser Wilhelm, Lloyd George, Clemenceau, Kitchener and other man who occupied whole chapters in world history. He reached the world's summit of applause during the Paris peace conference and his ebb, as broken in body and fame, but not in spirit, he rode down Pennsylvania avenue thru the sunshine of March 4, 1921, away from the White House forever.

Born of stern, unbending Scotch Presbyterian stock, Wilson had much of the cold austerity of Scotland's crags. To him there were only two classes of men—those for him and those against him. He saw no middle ground. Few outside of his immediate circle loved him, and he loved few. Millions admired him for his admitted strength or vision, idealism and indomitable courage. Millions hated him for his intolerance to views other than his own and for the ruthless suess with which he swept aside opposition. His was a lonely, self-controlled personality.

Yet, with body broken and old age creeping fast upon him, his closest friends say he mourned that he could not awaken love in the hearts of the people for whom he felt he had done so much; for whom he had advanced his ideals and for whom he felt he had suffered something akin to martyrdom.

Desired Love

Wilson's political death softened the animosities of ruthless politics and the passing of the ex-President is today mourned by a nation that always had the highest respect for his keen learning, diligent search after truth and unswerving devotion to what he believed were the world's ideals and which he adopted as his own.

In a measure, Wilson was a self-made man. His parentage was sturdy, but poor. His father was a Scotch Irish Presbyterian minister; his mother, Janet Woodrow, the descendant of a family of Scotch Presbyterian ministers noted for their aggressiveness.

Thomas Woodrow Wilson was born Dec. 28, 1856 in Staunton, Va., where his father was pastor. Two years later the family moved to Augusta, Ga., where Wilson spent most of his childhood. He was a normal boy, played baseball on the corner lot, and refused to learn the alphabet until he was nine years old. His early tutors were his father and mother.

At seventeen Wilson began his scholastic career at Davidson College, and in 1875 he entered Princeton University. Here he seems to have moulded those peculiar traits of personality that afterwards set him apart as an individual, as President of Princeton University, Governor of New Jersey and President of the United States.

Wilson's urge to self-expression first took a literary bent. While a student at Princeton, and later while attending the University of Virginia law school, he wrote various pamphlets and articles, mostly devoted to political and humanitarian subjects. Vague idealism combined with an amazing grasp of his subject mark his early writings. Perhaps the best known of his more mature works is a "History of the American People," and "The New Freedom". The latter book is regarded by critics as a masterly presentation of liberal theories of government and economics.

Completing the law course at Virginia, Wilson hung out his shingle in Atlanta, Ga., but clients did not flock to the young attorney, and in 1883 he abandoned the bar and took up a course of special studies at John Hopkins University. Here he met James Bryce, then Ambassador from Great Britain, and collaborated with Bryce on his great work on the "American Commonwealth." Undoubtedly Wilson was greatly influenced by the scholarly and Utopian Englishman.

In 1885, he married Helen Louise Axson of Savannah, Ga., the mother of his three daughters, Margaret, Jessie and Eleanor.

Wilson began his teaching career as professor of history and political economy at Bryn Mawr, which chair he filled for two years, going in 1888 to Wesleyan University for a one year stay as professor in the same subjects.

Went to Princeton

Back at Princeton in 1890, as professor of jurisprudence and politics Wilson lectured to crowded classrooms, and in 1892 he was elected President of Princeton University.

Princeton at that time was the home of a large number of clubs composed entirely of the sons of rich men, creating a so-called aristocracy abhorrent to the new president's broad democratic views. After a stiff tilt with entrenched privilege as represented by the gilded student youths Wilson gained a partial victory, but was never able to liberalize Old Nassau to his liking.

Partly as a result of this fight, which developed into conflict between Wilson and the board of trustees, Wilson resigned the presidency of Princeton and accepted the democratic nomination for Governor of New Jersey.

As Executive of New Jersey from 1911 till he was nominated for President by the Democratic national convention, Baltimore, July 2, 1912, Wilson amply demonstrated the vigor and independence of his political aspirations, and in some measure manifested the personal aloofness that characterized his later career.

Woodrow Wilson took the oath of office as President on March 4, 1913, after one of the most sweeping triumps ever known in Presidential elections. Factional war in the Republican Party gave him an overwhelming majority of electoral votes and his party had a majority of five in the Senate and held more than two-thirds of the seats in the lower house.

In March, 1915, Wilson authorized mobilization of troops on the border to deal with Villa, the Mexican insurgent.

Mr. Wilson's first wife died Aug. 6, 1914.

In the fall of 1915 the engagement of the President to Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt, of Washington, daughter of William H Bolling, a prominent Virginia lawyer, was announced.

They were married in Washington on Dec. 18, 1915. This was the third Wilson wedding in the White House two of the President's daughters having been married there. Miss Jessie Wilson became the bride of Francis Bowes Sayre on Nov. 25, 1913. Miss Eleanor Wilson was married to William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury in May, 1914.

In the meantime Wilson's notes of warning were unheeded by Germany

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The End Came Without Pain And Peacefully Dr. Grayson Announces

Mrs. Wilson With Fortitude Bears Up Under Burden of Heavy Sorrow.

FAMILY INFORMED OF DEATH AT 11:15.

News of End Spreads Like Wildfire Throughout Washington and the World; Burial Arrangements Pend.

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Woodrow Wilson, two terms President of the United States and as such Commander in Chief of the Armies of America in the late war, died at 11:15 Sunday morning, February the 3rd.

Death ended in a sleep which began late Saturday afternoon and which late Saturday night was merged into unconsciousness.

The end came peacefully and without pain.

Mrs. Wilson, his wife, and Dr. Grayson, his physician were at his bedside when he drew his last earthly breath, when the last drop of sand in his hour glass gently trickled out and his death was known.

Watchers who had hovered about the Wilson home all through the night, remained silently and solemnly through the gray dawn of the morning, and who were expecting any hour to hear of the seemingly inevitable were still waiting at 11:15 augmented by greater numbers, when death was announced.

The world was apprised of his sinking condition all through the watch hours through hourly bulletins posted by the physician.

Early Sunday morning, Dr. Grayson expressed himself as believing that Mr. Wilson had closed his eyes, in what he thought would prove to be his last last long sleep.

Mrs. Wilson, prepared by this frank statement and by previous advices from the physicians who had attended him, bore up with fortitude and bravery, when death came.

Dr. Grayson next announced that: "Mr. Wilson died at 11:15. His heart beat became feebler and feebler until finally the heart muscles became so fatigued that they refused to act any longer. The end came peacefully. The remote cause of his death was due to ill health which began four years ago, namely, 'Arterio-sclerosis' with 'hemitlegia'. The immediate cause of his death followed a digestive disturbance which began early last week but which did not reach an acute stage until early on the morning of February the first."

(Signed) "Cary T. Grayson."

With tears in his eyes, Dr. Grayson came from the Wilson home with a look which plainly told what had happened to the crowd of newspaper men who had been waiting all night and morning, eager for every bit of information they could get regarding his condition. He was so deeply grieved and touched that he could hardly make the announcement.

Word of his death was sent to Mr. Wilson's brother, Joseph Wilson, of Baltimore; to his daughter, Mrs. Francis Sayre, who is with her husband in Siam, and to Mrs. William G. McAdoo, who with Mr. McAdoo was speeding to his bedside from the Pacific coast.

A few minutes after death came, the news sped like wild fire throughout Washington and was broadcasted throughout the nation and cabled to foreign lands. The group of watchers, who had stood silently, solemnly and with bowed heads, began to disperse, while additional hundreds began to assemble near the home of the deceased former President, and tearfully and prayerfully paid their devoted respects to the one whom the entire world mourns.

It is understood that burial arrangements pend the arrival of all the members of the immediate family.

The nation's flag was immediately lowered to half mast and the present government is preparing to join in honoring Woodrow Wilson.

WOODROW WILSON WILL NEVER DIE

"Woodrow Wilson is Dead!"

So reads the first dispatch from Washington.

But is he dead?

No, Woodrow Wilson is not dead, nor will he ever die.

When told of the certainty of an early death, he replied that he was "Ready to Go"; thanked his physician for the care with which he had dealt with him as a "broken piece of machinery"; called for his wife constantly while moving steadily, slowly surely to the extending arms of that last earthly sleep, from which we trust he will arise agin in that peaceful world where God rules tenderly and justly; where there is no other government but His; where there is no standing army, no navy, no bleeding battle lines, no trouble, no "broken machinery" and no death.

Friend and political foe alike bow in sorrow because of his passing from the nation which he so dearly loved, bravely served, and in whose cause he lost his life just as much so as if stricken by shot and shell or embraced in the merciless clutches of a cloud of gas on war's lurid front.

The League of Nations, which some day will surely be adopted by this nation, will be his monument, grander and more eternal than any ever carved out of granite rock and ornamented with polished marble.

He faced death submissively and courageously, knowing that he like Paul of old had "fought a good fight, kept the faith and finished the course," as far as he was concerned, though he sank at the end of life disappointed that the principles for which he urged America to fight for on Flanders field had not been adopted as a part of America's course in the piping times of Peace. A braver heart never beat its last throb. A nobler American, more deeply imbued with the pure and fervent spirit of love of homeland and humanity "never passed its tenement of clay to the more genial realms of immortality."

He had passed life's noonday and was almost in sight of the three score and ten allotted to man, having passed his 68th milestone a little more than a month ago. He had passed through many trying years in public service, had seen the love of his countrymen and of the world expressed in every form by which a man may know that he is loved and admired. No mortal ever was paid higher honors while in power than Woodrow Wilson, Wartime President of America, the cheiftain chosen to heavy responsibility by the Democratic party but the President of all the people. While he was President, he was the President, which is a tribute in itself and though his nation did not adopt the League of Nations, he was more dearly loved than he ever thought.

His early footsteps were directed along proper paths of youth and manhood by the guiding hand of his Christian mother and a Christian father who was a Presbyterian minister, his life exemplifying in flesh and bone: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

"His mind was constructed for the highest acquisition of human knowledge."

Many mighty men have fallen in every age and in every land. Many monarchs of the earth have perished in their prime and while glory and success were still perched upon their flying banners, surrounded with gorgeous splendors of wealth and power, and theiir country soon forgot them.

But it will be written, as if penned by a finger of steel in the rock of ages, across the pages of world history that America wept when Woodrow Wilson breathed no more.

He is not only not dead but will grow greater and his influence will loom larger with the passing of the centuries.

WOODROW WILSON'S CAREER

Dec. 28, 1856—Born, Staunton, Va.

1874-5—Student at Davidson College North Carolina.

1879—Student at Princeton.

1881—Graduate in law, University of Virginia.

1882—Practiced law in Atlanta, Ga.

1883-5—Student at Johns Hopkins.

June 24, 1885—Married Ellen Louise Axsen.

1885-8—Professor Bryn Mawr College.

1888-90—Professor Wesleyan University.

1890-1910—Professor Princeton.

1902-1910—President Princeton.

1911-1913—Governor New Jersey.

Nov. 4, 1912—Elected President of United States.

March 4, 1913—Inaugurated President.

Aug. 4, 1914—Proclaimed neutrality in World War of United States.

Aug. 6, 1914—Wife died.

Feb. 10, 1915—Sent note to Germany holding German Government to a "strict accountability" for safety of American ships and lives.

Dec. 18, 1915—Married Edith Bolling Galt.

Nov. 7, 1916—Re-elected President.

Dec. 20, 1916—Sent "peace note" to belligerents.

Feb. 3, 1917—Severed diplomatic relations with Germany, dismissing Ambassador Bernstorff.

March 4, 1917—Second inauguration

April 2, 1917—Asked Congress to declare the existence of the state of war with Germany.

April 6, 1917—United States declared war on Germany.

Nov. 11, 1918—Read terms of German armistice to Congress and announced end of war.

Nov. 29—Named American peace commission.

Dec. 4—Sailed from New York for Europe as head of American peace commission.

March 4, 1921—Turned over Presidency to Warren G. Harding.

WHERE OUR PRESIDENTS SLEEP

John Adams and his son, John Quincy Adams, lie in the Congregational Cemetery in Quincy, Mass., and Monroe and Tyler are buried in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia

Probably the tomb of no president or of an American, is better known to the people of the United States than that of Washington. It is a simple, vine-clad vault of brick on his estate in Mt. Vernon.

A plain obelisk marks the final resting place of Thomas Jefferson. It stands in Monticello his estate near Charlottesville, Va.

A small cemetery in Montpelier, Va contains the bodies of James Madison and his wife.

A domed canopy supported by Grecian pillars shelters the oldfashioned tombstone over the body of Andrew Jackson at the Hermitage near Nashville, Tenn.

The body of Martin Van Buren lies in the old Dutch Cemetery in Kinderhook, N. Y., the town in which he was born.

The vault in which lies the body of William Henry Harrison is on the Bank of the Ohio river, at North Bend, Ohio.

A square pavilion of simple design on the grounds of the Capitol of Tennessee in Nashville shelters the graves of James Knox Polk and his wife.

Zachary Taylor's grave is in Springfield, Ky., five miles from Louisville.

The body of Millard Filmore lies in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo.

The grave of Franklin Pierce is in the cemetery in Concord, N H., beside his body lies that of his wife.

James Buchanan is buried in Lancaster, Pa., beneath a mossy stone on a side hill overlooking the countryside.

The first president to receive a monument of national character was Lincoln This stands in the Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, Ill., where he was buried.

Andrew Jackson was buried in Greenville, Tenn. The grave is marked by an obelisk.

President Grant lies in a mausoleum on Riverside Drive. New York City. The body of Mrs. Grant was placed beside that of her husband in 1902.

In Oaklank Cemetery, Freemont, O., lies the body of Rutherford B. Hays and his wife.

A mausoleum in the Lake View Cemetery, near Cleveland, contains the body of James A. Garfield.

Chester A. Arthur is buried in a public cemetery in Albany, N. Y.

Grover Cleveland is buried in the Cleveland plot in Princeton, N. J.

Benjamin Harrison is buried at Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

William McKinley's body lies in a vault at Marion, O.

President Roosevelt's grave is in Young's Memorial Cemetery, Oyster Bay, N. Y.

Phesident Harding's body lies in a vault at Marion, O.

The ladies of the auxiliary will serve hot biscuit and fried chicken to the American Legion next Tuesday night at Legion headquarters.

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BIRDS OF ILL OMENS

Just now almost everything else is being pushed into the background by the investigations of the operations of various officials, bureaus and departments under the present administration. And a fine mess it is even at this time, and the worst is yet to come. The Teapot Dome scandal is large and important, but for venality, sordidness and criminality, it is not in the same class with others already uncovered and yet to be exposed, and they are coming thicker and faster: "First a speck, and then a vulture, till the air is thick with pinions." And they are birds of ill omen for the Republican party; unless the old spirit is frozen in the veins of the voting public that party is facing a stupendous crash, a disaster from which its recovery will be very doubtful. It will be recalled that the two or three scandals of the Grant administration, even though the President ordered the Attorney General "to let no guilty man escape," caused such a revolt among the voters that Tilden was elected on the face of the returns in 1876. The battle cry of the Democrats (and very appropriate for the coming campaign) was "Turn the rascals out!" The people undertook to turn them out, but it was found after the election that they were so numerous and so well intrenched that they succeeded even then in robbing Tilden of his victory through the scheme of the Eight-to-Seven Commission and the attendant bribery.

These various scandals of the present administration have not been developed as the result of an elaborate scheme to dig up criminal acts to use for political effect, as was the case when the Graham Smelting Committee was created by the Republicans at the close of the war, but have just cropped out from time to time, and sometimes two or three at a time. And the public washing of the soiled garments has caused men to break down, to die in disgrace and to end their own lives. It is even believed in many quarters that the death of President Harding was partly due to his worry over these conditions as he saw them developing in his administration. It so happened that his one effort to clean up was miscredited—through the false and unjustified reports of Brewer, the assistant detailed by Daugherty to the job of investigating the Wilson appointees in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Harding discharged 28 of the heads of the Bureau, two of whom died from the unmerited disgrace, while the others have all been publicly exonerated and a number of them returned to their places. Others refused to return.

It has become necessary in some cases for the Democrats to force, by the most drastic threats and actions, the creation of Senate Committees to investigate the facts connected with certain cases. In the matter of Senator Spencer's alleged connection with the big Fouke Fur Company of St. Louis, it took weeks to induce the Republicans in the Senate to consent to look into the case, and when it finally came up on the floor of the Senate, the galleries were astonished to see Senator Spencer himself presiding over the session. It is believed the committee will get down to work on the case this week. As the investigations develop and the committees are created it will become a question as to how to conduct the business in the committee rooms and yet maintain a quorum on the floor of the Senate. Here is a partial list of the scandals and sensations to date, with others waiting in the wings and soon to be on the stage:

The Newberry election scandal
The Daugherty scandal
The dismissals at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing
The Goldstein scandal at St. Louis
The Ship Subsidy and Ship Sales scandal
The Veterans' Bureau scandal
The Sugar Profiteering scandal—30 cent sugar
The Smaller-Teapot Dome scandal
The Reclamation Service scandal
The Income Tax Bureau scandal
The Packers and Stockyards scandal
The Tolbert scandal
The Sloan post-offices scandal; and several others coming, including some very remarkable doings under the Treasury, the Navy, the Department of Commerce, the Government Printing Office and the Tariff Commission. In other words, the list is by no means closed.

THE INDICATOR IS ALWAYS UPWARD

Business men have access to charts intended to show them when higher prices are coming and when they may look for a drop. It is claimed by the chart compilers that the laws of action and reaction are equal. The pendulum swings as far one way as it does the other. Charting helps us peer into the business future.

These same observers report that prosperity is associated with decreasing church attendance. When people are poor they think they need God more than when their pockets bulge with cash. It is within the observation of most of us that in dire distress people turn to God as a last resort, and when the weather is fair again they think they can manage their own future without taking God into account.

The wise man in business consults his chart when business is booming as well as when buyers are few. The Christian accepts the Bible and God as his guide through life, surrenders his will to God and abides by the course God lays out for him.

Whether man seeks God at the end of life or at the beginning, God is always the same. He is ready to guide whether man realizes his need of help or not. There is never any back swing to the pendulum of God's love, however much variance there may be in man's obedience to him.

Regular church attendance will help one find the law of God for him if he attend with a sincere purpose to seek for himself.

Of fifteen Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee, eight don't dare to vote for the Mellon Plan and then face the voters. The Democratic proposal will win out.

MEXICO.

By OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

From the silv'ry strand of the broad Rio Grande
Cross Sierra's craigs to the Ocean's flow
Can be heard the dull march of a great army band
Prostrating in shame poor Old Mexico;
Like a gluttonous beast this horde doth now feast
On plunder obtained by ravage of war
And for justice and right they care not the least
Refusing to hear the plea from afar.

The dark, crimson stain of her despotic reign
Has blotted her name on history's page
With bold leaders spur'd on by conquest and gain
To sanction the woes of anarchy's rage.
All her mountains and wood are weltering in blood
And vassals of war are tortured and slain,
The tender shepherd lad is shot where he stood
Attending his flock on green turfted plain.

This land once renowned is now laid to the ground
By bedlam and strife and treachery's guile
And intrigues of State and dark schemes are now found
To cleave with the sword prosperity's smile.
Her homesteads are burned, her rich farm now turned,
By foraging bands, to desolate waste;
The appeals of the poor in mockery are spurned
By cannon and shell her name is disgraced.

Will the world stand at bay while these vandals slay,
In riotous lust, the helpless and fair?
Go shine the bright torch of fair liberty's day
On darkness and woe that is dwelling there.
Let sweet freedom's rhyme, now some far distant chime,
Invade her dim shores of benighted wails
To break the scourge of caste that blights all her clime
And help restore law where crime now prevails.

Another near-scandal is developing from the work of the Re-classification Bureau, created to re-classify the employees under the Civil Service. It is alleged that the heads of this Bureau gave the chief employees of each branch of the Government the naming of their own pay increases, thus leaving insufficient of the appropriations for the various Bureaus to allow increases for the thousands of clerical employees who have been struggling for years against the high cost of living.

WOODROW WILSON

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and Austria, and on Feb. 3, shortly after he had first outlined in a memorable address to Congress his plan for a league of nations. Wilson broke off diplomatic relations with Germany. This was in reply to Kaiser's submarine warfare. On March 16, 1917, Wilson declared a state of "armed neutrality", and a month later, April 2, he demanded that Congress declare war on Germany.

From that day until the armistice on Nov. 11, 1918, Wilson bent his energies to defeat Germany, at once taking the position of spokesman for the allies. He helped bring about unity of command, which ultimately defeated Germany. He pushed through Congress gigantic bills for selective draft and governmental food, fuel, telegraph and railroad administration.

Early in 1919 Wilson broke all precedents by going to Paris to participate in the peace conference, from which he returned with both victories and defeat. His fight was far from ended, and after presenting the treaty to Congress, he again took the issue to the people, with another 8,000-mile stump-speaking trip for the treaty and the League of Nations.

After speaking once and sometimes twice a day for twenty-three days, the President suffered a nervous collapse on a train between Pueblo, Col., and Wichita, Kans., and on orders of Admiral Grayson, his personal physician, he gave up his speaking trip. Cancelling his scheduled Wichita speech, the President was rushed to the White House, where for nearly four months he was kept abed most of the time.

The date of Wilson's "return to power" after his illness probably will go down as Feb. 13, when it was revealed by correspondence given out at the White House he had accused Robert Lansing, Secretary of State, of attempting to usurp the President's authority and had practically demanded the Secretary's resignation. Lansing retired from the Wilson Cabinea, but denied his intentions in calling informal Cabinet meetings during the President's illness was for superceding the head of the Government.

Public comment on the incident in which Lansing generally was upheld had hardly died down before President Wilson again caused a sensation in dispatching a note to the allied Premiers in session at London, in which he was reported as making a threat to withdraw his concern from Europe an affairs unless a previous decision regarding disposition of Fiume and the Adriatic question was upheld.

Owing to his illness, Mr. Wilson was comparatively inactive to the date of his retirement, when succeeded by Warren G. Harding on March 4, 1921. He retired to his newly purchased home in the national capital and busied himself with his books until death came. While he took little active part in politics or public business, his letters from time to time showed that his keen grip on public affairs had not weakened and his fighting heart was still strong.

In the Fall of 1923, Mr Wilson received several delegations and several statements by him were broadcasted. He also contributed to magazines.

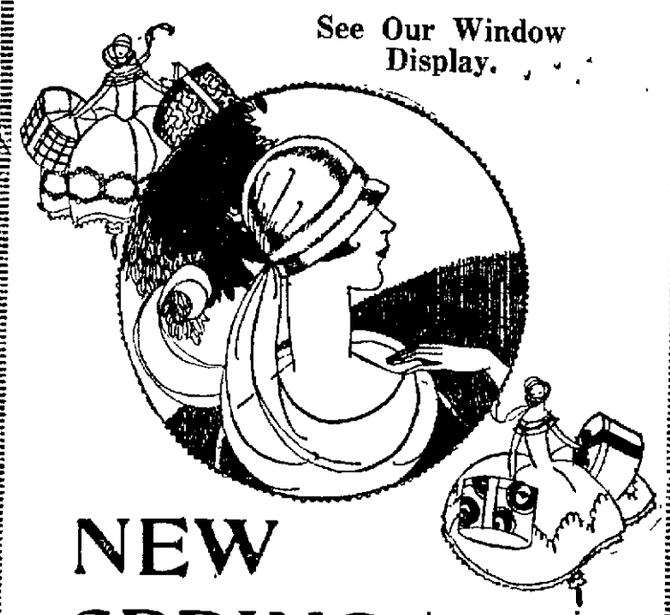
METHODISTS WILL HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES TONIGHT

Immtdiately after the receipt of the distressing story of Woodrow Wilson, Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church, announced that memorial servies would be held at that church tonight at 7:30, out of respect for Mr Wilson. This service the general public is invited. A program is being arranged in which several local business men will make brief comments and the music will be in keeping with the hour.

CRUD ADVANCES 25 CENTS ..... PER BARREL SATURDAY

The Magnolia early Saturday posted an advance of 25 cents for Mexia and Powell crude. The advance was also announced by the Humble, The Texas and al lother purchasing companies, which also covered Currie. The rise was expected and had been predicted. Mexia and Powell crude is now $1.85 per barrel and Currie is $2.00.

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Feb. 1.—A horse can be shocked, even if Hollywood can't. Rose Langson, movie "extra" with her golden hair practically her only raiment in the Lady Godiva role she was playing, was thrown by her nervous mount. Rose's arm was fractured.



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Foundation Of American Civilization Threatened When Bible Taken From The Public Schools Says Methodist Pastor

One of the greatest sermons heard in Mexia in recent years was that delivered Sunday, Jan. 27th, by Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church on "Education through Good Literature."

The message of the morning was commented on at the time as being genuinely helpful and many expressed the opinion that such sermons could do much to purify the literature of the day and stimulate reading the best only.

A strong appeal was made for the Bible to be returned to the public schools.

In part his sermon follows:

Education Through Good Literature

Text: 1 Thes. 5.21. Prove all things. Hold fast that which is good. What we read constitutes a large part of our education.

Education which does not take God into account and man's relationship to Him will be hurtful and destructive of our Christian civilization. A consciousness of the existence and being of God and of our relationship to Him is fundamental in Christian character and life. God is. God lives. God rules. This is God's world and we are his creatures. We need to pause and consider these things.

The deepest and most vital experiences we have come of our relationship to Him. The soul's experiences with God are the only experiences that are worth while, and any thing that interferes with this is an enemy to you and God.

It is well for us to recognize that there are forces in our midst that are destructive of our christian culture and institutions. With these gone, or impaired, our relationship to God is disturbed and our boasted civilization goes down

Roger W. Babson, the great American statistician, says: "We owe our civilization to religion, and we owe religion to the church. All that is in the world today that is worth while comes from men filled with integrity, faith, industry, brotherly love and those other factors which come from God. The church deserves the credit of keeping these factors before the world. Hence it is evident that we are indebted, not to the masters of finance and commerce for our present security and prosperity, but to the church and the preachers."

Education that has not the religious element in it is incomplete and tends to drift into materialism and so is fatally defective.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century all the schools of all grades still had the character of religious institutions. They were required to give definite religious instructions. Need I remind you that all the schools established in America previous to that time were established by the church. As a rule preachers were the teachers in these schools. At the close of the nineteenth century the public schools from the primary grades to the university, had become thoroughly secular.

I quote again from Mr. Babson: "We are neglecting the greatest of resources, the great spiritual resources upon which everything depends. How shall we develop those resources? Certainly we are not doing it now in our public schools. The educational system was originally founded by the Church to train the children in the fundamentals of righteousness. Gradually we have drifted away from this, and today the purpose for which our public schools were started is entirely lost. Under these conditions is it surprising that the spiritual resources of our children are lying dormant?"

There are 25,000,000 school children in the United States. In recent months scientists have been testing these children as to truth and honesty. Dr. Walter S. Athearn led in the work. The board of directors under whom he did this work was made up of the president of the university of Chicago, the president of Brown University, the president of the Agricultural College of Massachusetts and others of like character.

These tests showed that 64% of these children will lie, cheat and steal—16,000,000 out of the 25,000,000.

One of the tests was to give to the child 25 cents with which to buy a given article. The merchant, being instructed beforehand, would say to the child, "We are selling that today for 15 cents," and would give back to the child 10 cents. Only 36 out of each 100 children returned the dime to the teacher.

Another test was to give each child a chance to beat the street car company out of the fare. Other tests of the same character were made and the average of those who were dishonest was 64%. In some cities and towns all of children were dishonest.

Bless these dear children, they are not to blame. We, who have been responsible for their training, are to blame.

These scientists then decided to put these children, or others in the same towns and cities, under ethical instructions and teach them that it is wrong to lie and cheat and steal. Under this instruction there was a 60% improvement.

Others were given definite religious instruction with prayer, Bible reading, singing and devotion. Under this instruction, there was an improvement of 85%. In one city where, under the other test, all had kept the dime, now, after they had had this religious instruction, all but one brought back the dime, and this one brought it back the next day, making it 100%.

When the Bible and religious instructions were taken out of the public schools, the foundations of our American civilization began to be undermined. The "seed corn of the nation is being destroyed."

Dr. Athearn then makes this bold statement—and mark you, he is not a religious fanatic, but a hardheaded scientist: "We have made the discovery that unless children are taught religion that they will not be religious. We have also made the discovery that children can be scientifically taught religion in such a way that the course of their entire lives will be changed. These scientific tests prove this beyond a doubt."

The question is asked, "Why not train these 25,000,000 children at home or in Sunday schools?" Answering the first question: It is a fact that very few of our homes are giving religious instruction to the children. As to instruction in the Sunday schools, these scientists made a test of the state of Indiana, as being, as they thought, an average state. They found that more than half of the children, of all classes of people, did not attend Sunday school. Of the Protestant children, only half of them attended Sunday school, and of these only half attended more than half of the time. It was found that of the children who did attend a Sunday school, that they received only twelve hours of instruction a year—the balance of the hour being taken up with other things.

Who is to blame for this condition? The children? No. The question is not so much as to who is to blame, as what will America do about it?

The men who laid the foundation of this great republic were trained in the schools of their day, and the religion of the Bible was drilled into them. The results show in the kind of government they gave us. What kind of government will we hand down to our posterity? Will it be the kind of government we now have if we allow the moral and religious faculties of the children to lie dormant?

Not only this, but the kind of literature we read affects our lives. How many of our homes have a religious paper? How many read that paper after it comes?

Do you read the fiction of the day? The short stories in the magazines and the books of fiction? Modern fiction may be classed all the way from semi-filthy to postively nasty. The sex question is the most prominent feature. Immorality is made prominent and rather encouraged. Unfaithfulness to the marriage vow is winked at and the hero and heroine are lionized for their ludeness and free love tendencies.

Is it true that these authors are setting the pace in such things? Is it true that the public demands such literature?

You will find books on the news stands that cannot be sent through the mails. They are too dirty and indecent.

The most popular plays on the stage in America last year were reeking with filth. Probably the most popular one in New York was not only indecent but was a slander and a libel on the church and the great mission work in the South Sea Islands.

You tell me this is all a backwash from the world war? Part of it may be. But such rank, noxious weeds would not grow if the soil were not congenial. The awful crime wave in America is but another indication of the same diseased condition.

The trouble is that we have ceased to teach the children of America that there is a God in this country. Our religious and moral standards have been lowered. The average home in America has absolutely no religion. Good books and literature in the home is as necessary as good food. The garments of righteousness are far more essential than the dresses and clothing we buy at the dry goods store.

You will agree with me that when religion was taught in the schools that we had high moral standards in America. We haven't those standards now. They are gone in large measure. The scientists of America tell us how we lost them.

Do you ask me what is the remedy I answer without hesitency, God. God in the home. God in the schools. God in business. Who will begin this return to the old paths? I answer, you. All reforms begin with the individual. "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

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MOTHER AND THREE CHILDREN BURNED

AKRON, Ohio, Feb. 1.—A mother and three children were burned to death when flames enveloped a four room house in East Akron.

The dead are Mrs. John Smith, Jack Smith, 4; Anna May Smith, six months and Eleanor Smith, 2.

Albert Rains, a roomer was severely burned. He is believed to have used oil in an attempt to start a fire in a cook stove.

Judge A. M. Blackmon was up from Groesbeck Saturday circulating among his friends.

Chinese Students Says Americans Much Like Them

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 3—"American students and Chinese students are essentially the same," said Miss Mohling Ma, student in the University of Texas from Tswan, Shantung, China.

Miss Ma said that about the only noticeable difference is in skin and language, and that, after all, these are only comparatively superficial things. Students in China and America have the same emotions. They laugh and cry over the same things and have the same fundamental likes and dislikes.

Miss Ma came to America three years ago, her purpose being to take advantage of better educational advantages in this country. When she left China she knew very little English, but now she speaks it fluently and does well in her courses.

She speaks enthusiastically about her native country, particularly the Student's Union in the Chinese schools. All the schools in China, from high schools to universities, inclusive, are in the organization. Individual schools are represented in district unions, and these in turn are represented in a big national Students' Union.

"Until the time of the Washington Conference," said Miss Ma, "the Chinese Government had not paid much attention to this students' organization. And it was not the intention of the Government to listen to the Union on political matters to be dealt with at the Conference. But upon the Government's persistence in refusing to listen to the wishes of the people expressed through the Union for Japan's return of Shantung to China, the fine organization of the students brought about a nation-wide strike of all industries. On the third day of the strike the Government agreed to all the demands of the Union, and the result was felt throughout the world. Japan gave up Shantung."

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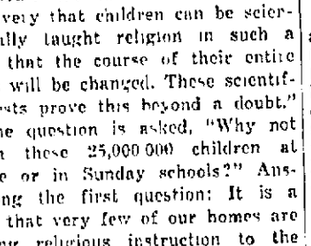

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We carry a complete line of ticking from 15c to 60c per yard.

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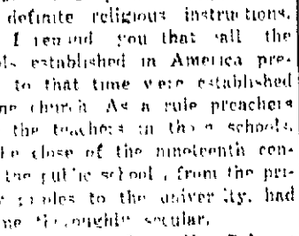

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And that's the best compliment a customer can pay to the garage that fixed his car. Many are the customers who tell us that very thing. They are satisfied because the work is done right and they are charged the right price.
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$3.50 to $22.50
—Several shipments of beautiful new millinery were received by our store the later days of last week. Dozens and dozens of the prettiest little models imaginable were included in these shipments. Monday and all this week we will have them on display for your convenience and selection.
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HURDLESTON DINING ROOM
Home Cooked Meals
$8.00 per Week
THREE MEALS PER DAY
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MEALS SERVED:
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NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

MARLIN

The Luthran Church of Texas will shortly establish somewhere near the center of the population of the State a major educational institution and while Marlin is known to have received serious consideration for the college the point has been reached, say those, in touch with the situation, where this city must show something more than a receptive attitude if it wishes to secure the school Rev. H. Studtmann, serving as resident pastor of the Lutheran Church in a prosperous rural community, is chairman of the locating board.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Marlin Baseball club was held in the Chamber of Commerce headquarters Tuesday evening. The annual report of the finances of the club was read by the treasurer, E. A. Flowers, and was duly accepted by the members. Mr. Flowers was commended for the manner in which he has kept the accounts for the club during the past season. The election of directors resulted in renaming five members of the 1923 board, B. C. Bratton, E. E. Fannin, E. A. Flowers, P. E. Arrington, and N. E. Stockton. A. B. Johnson, another member, resigned recently to accept the presidency of the Texas Association and Robert F. Higgins, withdrew because of the fact that he will probably be out of town for several weeks this summer. M. S. Hunt was elected to fill the place left vacant by the resignation of Mr. Johnson and C. H. Olinger was chosen to take Mr. Higgin's place. B. C. Bratton was re-elected as president.

Every eligible person in Marlin is being urged to join the recently organized Parent-Teachers Association. Those eligible to membership include parents and all others interested in the welfare of the public schools. The dues of the association were set at twenty-five cents per year.

WORTHAM

Mrs. J. K. P. Poindexter and daughter, Miss Angie, of Kosse, have been visiting relatives in Wortham, and were the guests of T. B. Poindexter and R. G. Poindexter and their families. They returned home by way of Waco, and were accompanied to that city by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Poindexter and Mrs. T. B Poindexter.

The Bounds Motor Company has broken dirt and begun preparations to erect a brick on Main and North Second streets. The completed building will be occupied by the company.

The Pleasure Profit Club met this past week with Mrs. Roger Seely. Games of 42 were enjoyed by the guests and at the close of the games refreshments in the form of Sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate were served. The club will meet this week with Mrs. H. O. Tatum.

HUBBARD

Rev. W. R. Johnson of Nashville, Tenn. has accepted a call to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Hubbard and he and his wife and two children will arrive here about the middle of February. Mr. Johnson will begin his pastoral duties February 17.

A banquet is to be given Friday night by the ladies of the Cemetery Association here in the basement of the First Methodist Church at which a charge of $1.00 for each plate will be made. A representative of the Neosho plan of co-operation for the town and country will be present and will explain the working of his plan. As Mr. Lowe, the representative, comes well recommended by the Cotton Belt Railroad, all citizens interested in the progress of Hubbard are urged to be present.

The post office at Abbott was robbed some time Monday night the robbers blowing the safe and escaping with $300 in stamps, $40 in money and a Colts revolver. According to the Sheriff's office the Katy depot at Eylm Mott was robbed the same night, the amount of loot secured by the robbers not being known.

C. C. Hudson of Dallas was here the first of last week looking over the town as a probable location for a produce house. Mr. Hudson stated that he will be back in a few weeks and will probably make his arrangements for locating here.

According to reports that have come to the office of the News from a trustworthy source a dog which bit several other dogs here recently appears to have been infested with rabbies. The dog was killed while in a fit Tuesday.

Last Saturday a fire of unknown origin broke out in the second story of the McLaughlin building at Mt. Calm resulting in the loss of the building and the most of its contents. The building was occupied by a garage, and a grocery and furnishing store.

TEAGUE

The Teague public schools began the second term of the year Monday morning. Attendance is holding up well, especially in the upper grades and the High School.

At the regular meeting of the Lions club at the Rex Cafe Friday, with Dr. W. P. Harrison presiding as the good fellowship chairman, Coach Lemon was named as delegate to a district meeting of the Lions Clubs to be held at Austin. During the meeting school athletics were discussed at length, and it was decided to bring the Trinity Glee Club to Teague at an early date for the benefit of the High School athletic fund.

The Culture Club met Friday afternoon, January 18, with Mrs. Joss Smith where she and Mesdames Niel McKennedy and Forrest Green were hostesses for the aftrenoon. Pink carnations were used for decorative purposes and were arranged in a very attractive manner about the living and dining rooms. The program was "Better Homes" and roll call was answered with modern conveniences. The different phases of the subject were discussed by members on the program in a very interesting manner while a pleasing vocal solo was rendered by Mrs. W. W. Kerr. Refreshments consisted of chicken salad, olives, crackers, fruit cake, coffee and salted almonds.

GROESBECK

Monday was a record breaking day Tax Collector W. A. Robbins' office when state and county tax to the amount of $191,087.24 was collected. This brings the total amount for the year up to $500,509.85.

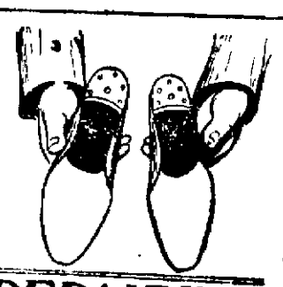
According to an announcement by the chairman of the local "Lynch Davidson for Governor" club Mr. Davidson will open his campaign in Groesbeck Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9.

A delegation of Mexia Lions headed by President J. K. Hughes visited the Groesbeck Club at their regular luncheon meeting Thursday of the week before last. Lion Hughes delivered a short address on this occasion in which he discussed "Lionism" and what it is possible for the Lions of Mexia and Groesbeck to do. The other members of the Mexia delegation made interesting and instructive talks, Lion Jere H. Cason, explaining how the Mexia club handles its luncheons and how they get the membership cut to their meetings.

The Masons of this section have a treat in store for them if they accept the invitation of the Groesbeck lodge to attend the Masonic Service meeting to be held here on the night of February 7th. At that time W. T. Ede, of Dallas, will deliver an address on "A Citizen and His Government," or on "The Equality of Opportunity."

INJUNCTION IS MADE PERMANENT BY COURT

Thursday of the past week, the injunction suit pertaining to the opening of the X-All Highway in the Forest Glade School district for the Forest Glde school truck was heard before County Judge Fountain Kirby. The injunction was made permanent and in effect means that the contractors building the road must allow the school truck to pass over the highway.



REPAIRING

"Hello, Old Sole

YOU LOOK YOUNG"

That's the way you'll greet your old Shoes when they return from Prickett's Shoe Shop "Fountain of Youth" for shoes. Your old shoes will be rejuvenated and made young again. Your shoes will have a new life. Don't throw them away—have them repaired at—

D. PRICKETT SHOE SHOP
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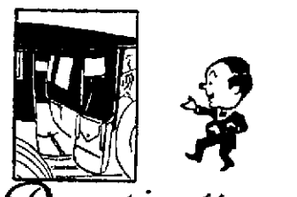

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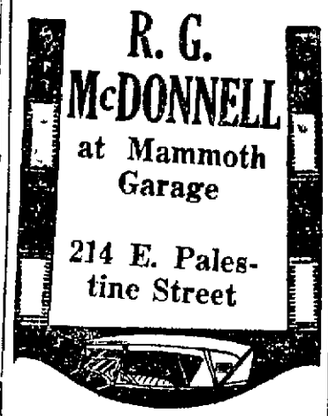
CURTAIN RODS FOR FORDS

These curtain rods for Fords are recent things.

Just attach them to the door of your For—the curtains are attached to the rods and the inconvenience of getting in or out of your car is eliminated.

Drive your Ford down and let us equip it with these rods.

Other cars equipped also.



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Attention Housekeepers

Buy your heating stoves NOW

I have a large stock of all kinds of Heaters, Cook Stoves, Dishes, Aluminum Vessels of all kinds. In fact, I carry most anything to be found in a modern hardware store for the housekeeper.

Attention Farmers

I sell the celebrated line of Oliver Implements, Peter Schuttler Wagons, Birdsell Wagons, Hercules Buggies. I am headquarters for the good old handmade harness that wears like a pig's nose. The best collars, bridles and lines as cheap as good ones can be sold.

All Kinds of Guns and Ammunition.

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HARDWARE
209 E. Main St. Phone 387

Candies

We have taken on a new stock of Pangburn's Bulk and Package Candies and have one of the best lines of Fresh Chocolates in the city at lb. 60c.

Pangburn's Ragtime Chocolate at lb. 75c.

In addition to our noonday lunches, we are now serving lunches for evenings.

CHOCOLATE SHOPPE
Here to Please You.

PAINT UP!

SPRING IS COMING

Give that house of yours a new coat of paint. Make it look like new again. Paint it inside and out—and make your home an inviting home.

It may be that your business house needs painting. Don't put it off another day but make your house attractive to the public.

We have a complete line of Paints, Varnishes and Enamels.
Call on us for your needs.

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Teaches Truth Builds Character

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Every one without local church connections may command our services.

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Obtain Quick Relief

If you suffer from painful urination, get up frequently during the night, have that awful dull ache and burning sensation, by all means try the Hexol home treatment. Hexol is an improved, scientific preparation which is giving prostrate and bladder sufferers real comfort and relief—often in a single night—and you can test it without risk. Write us today to send you a $2 package of Hexol tablets by return mail. Enclose $2 or pay $2 and postage on delivery, just as you please, with the distinct understanding that your money will be refunded at once if you are not pleased with the results of the Hexol treatment. Don't continue to suffer from these painful conditions. You risk no money. Write for Hexol now.

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Money to Lend at 6 Per Cent on MEXIA HOMES

If you have a loan coming due on your home, or expect to build, improve or buy a home, this Association will lend you money for that purpose.

$15.80 a month repays $1,000.00 loan in 91 months.
$31.60 a month repays $2,000.00 loan in 91 months.
$47.40 a month repays $3,000.00 loan in 91 months.
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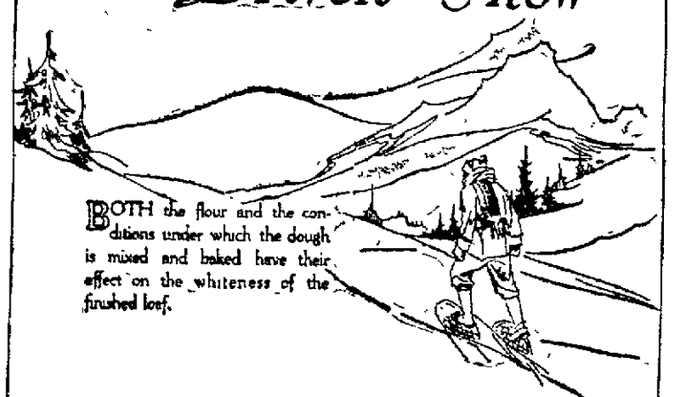
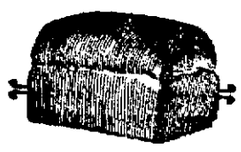
Give your family the pleasure, comfort and security of a home.

As White as Driven Snow



BOTH the flour and the conditions under which the dough is mixed and baked have their effect on the whiteness of the finished loaf.

American Beauty Bread



Propp Bros.
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Can Be Had at All Grocers.

WHAT ABOUT THEM?

There's no distress like widowhood! Particularly is this true where no money or estate is left for her surviving days.
Do you want to leave your widow, your mother or your children in that position? Are you going to impose upon their inexperience?
Come to us and let's talk it over. Let your Life Insurance policy be the protection policy. We have many interesting plans at moderate costs.

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I specialize in insurance on country property such as barns, dwellings and feed stuff.

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MEXIA MOTOR COMPANY WINS SALES RECORD CUP IN U. S. AND WIDELY ADVERTISES AREA

The Mexia Motor Company's successful business for 1923 has been of such magnitude as to attract the motor world. Its record for number of sales during the twelve months period won for the Mexia institution the "Vice President's Cup." This information is contained in a letter just received by the company.

The "Vice President's Cup" is a prize offered by the Studebarker Corporation for the second highest sales record in the United States.

December leaders hold the cup for one month, following which it will be sent to the Mexia Motor Company as a permanent trophy, speaking for itself and emphasizing the zealous attention to business of the management and a healthy condition of prosperity in this territory.

Not the least of the indirect benefits of this significant achievement is the extensive advertising for Mexia which this success will gain for it. In every community in the country where Studebaker automobiles are sold, the Mexia Motor Car Company will be heralded as one of the best concerns of its kind in the United States.

This concern is a contributor to Greater Mexia and is doing its part in the program now launched to "Help Mexia Grow."

The management takes no credit whatever for this success to itself but expresses an appreciation to the public at large, who made the achievement certain and also to the manufacturers of this superb vehicle of the motor world.

South Bend, Ind., U. S. A.
Jan. 28, 1924.

Mexia Motor Car Co.,
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Yours very truly,
The Studebarker Corporation of America.
G. W. Sweet,
Ass't Sales Manager.

We attribute our success to the loyal support of our customers and friends. we assure you that your patronage is highly and thankfully appreciated

You are always welcome,—visit us often.

Mexia Motor Car Co., Inc.

BALLOON TIRES AROUSE LARGE NUMBER OF QUERIES

Specialization is still at large in the land, dividing and then dividing again. Now balloon tires have caused it to perform another division in the already specialized business of question answernig.

A dozen or more men find steady employment in one railroad station giving all their time one thing, answering questions Not so long ago the station agent answered all questions just as a sideline while he checked baggage, sold tickets, handled mail and telegrams and kept the village urchins from annoying the live geese in the crate on the hand truck.

Now comes this latest prank of specialization in question answering And in rolls quietly into our lives, accompanied by very little "air" on the wheels of automobiles Information bureaus are springing up all over the land to answer the many questions which balloon tires have conjured up in the minds of automobile owners. Can I put on balloons? Do I have to change my wheels? Will they wear out faster? And so on—the number of questions being limited only by the limits of driver imagination.

One of the big Akron tire makers, The General Tire and Rubber Company, has gone so far as to designate every one of its distributor establishments as a free information bureau for all who are interested in any way in the balloon tire idea. Placards and advertisements set forth that the General distributors' places are balloon tire headquarters and the parent company has furnished all available information. All questions are answered intelligently and without obligation and the questioners are invited to ride in a car equippel with the big tires.

This company is particularly well fitted to furnish its distributors with authentic data because it has been developing the balloon tire idea for the past ten years. The balloon tier of today is the magnification and refinement of the Jumbo which the General company built in 1916.

STUDEBAKER SMASHES ALL PREVIOUS SALES RECORDS DURING 1923

Nineteen twenty-three was a banner year for the automobile industry in both production and sales of cars. Coming after the year 1922, which showed a remarkable improvement over the "off year" 1921, the increase in automobile business during 1923 is even more impressive.

Studebaker's record in making 1923 its banner year with the sale of more than 145,162 cars follows a series of phenomenal sales records. Each year for the past six years Studebaker sales have greatly exceeded those of the previous year.

Students of statistics will recall the story that 1921 told. In that year the sales of Studebaker cars were 29.4 per cent greater than in 1920, while the total number of cars sold of all other makes except Ford was 40 per cent less than in 1920.

Stated otherwise, Studebaker's ratio of sales in 1921 was 129 and the total of other makes except Ford was 60, as compared with 1920.

In 1922, therefore, Studebaker had the showing of a record year to surpass and plans were laid for a production of 100,000 cars, as compared with 66,643 in 1921. Even with this large increase in production, at no time was Studebaker able to supply the demands for its cars. 110,269 cars were produced and sold during 1922, an increase of 65 per cent over 1921 which up to that time was the greatest year in the history of Studebaker.

The increasing demands for Studebaker cars continued in 1923. By the end of August, the 1922 record was exceeded, and by December 31 Studebaker sales had passed 145,162—making the greatest year, by far, in Studebarker history.

MAJOR LEAGUE TRAINING CAMPS

Big League Training Camps this year are located as follows:

American League

Boston Red Sox, San Antonio, Tex.
New York Yankees, New Orleans, La.
St. Louis Browns, Mobile, Ala.
Philadelphia Athletes, Montgomery, Ala.
Detroit Tigers, August, Ga.
Chicago White Sox, Winterhaven, Fla.
Cleveland Indians, Lakeland, Fla.
Washington Nationals, Tampa, Fla.

National League

New Yrok Giants, Sarasota, Fla.
St. Louis Cardinals, Bradentown, Fla.
Brooklyn, Clearwater, Fla.
Phillies, Leesburg, Fla
Cincinnati Reds, Orlando, Fla.
Pittsburgh Pirates, Paso Robles, Cal.
Chicago Cubs, Catalina Island, Cal.

IS YOUR HUBBY SLIPPING? HEED THIS WARNING

"Wives! Be unusual!"

Such advice is offered women of the world by no less a personage than William de Mille, who sends this startling message through his latest Paramount production, "Don't Call It Love," which will be shown at the National Theatre Monday.

"Wives! Be unusual!"

To the average spirited American man, nothing is more tiring than monotony, according to the theme of "Don't Call It Love." It is therefore necessary that a woman, if she would continue to hold the interest of her husband after marriage, be different.

"I do not believe this picture intends to convey that a woman, to be different, must be inconsistent," says Nita Naldi, a featured member of the cast. "She should be consistent in her attentions to her husband—and her attentions should be only for her husband. She should use her personality in varymg ways. She should dress differently; that is, instead of having all her house dresses pink or blue, she should have variety in color and style. These things would serve to keep her husband's interest centered on her at all times, whereas, if she allows her clothes and personality and appearance to become monotonous, he would seek elsewhere for the 'something different' his life demands."

In the new de Mille photoplay, the effect of monotonous, everyday love is brought home with unusual force by a triangle affair carried on by Agnes Ayers, Nita Naldi and Jack Holt. Theodore Kosloff and Rod La Rocque are also featured.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 1.—A small automobile, the worse for wear was found on a highway near here with a bill of sale signed by the owner and left blank to be filled out by the purchaser, attached to it. A note left with the bill of sale explained that who ever found the machine could have it by paying the highway taxes due on it.

TOKIO, Feb. 2.—Two small boys, inspired by one of the "blood and thunder" American movie pictures, were responsible for the wrecking of a train on which were twenty-five members of the Japanese diet. The wreck, which had of minor consequence, caused the greatest excitement, some believing it had been planned by anti-government plotters. Later, it was discovered the two youngsters only wanted to emulate the movie actors and decided to try it out on a train.

FENZA, Italy, Feb. 2.—An earthquake prediction contest seems to be in order here as the result of ridicule directed against Professor Bendani, expert quake forecaster. Incensed by the didicule of other seismologists, Bendani has challenged them to publish their forecasts for March, comparing them with his own which he offers to publish in full. Bendani refuses to disclose the methods he uses in foretelling earth shocks, declaring his research work is not yet complete.

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THIS IS A STUDEBAKER YEAR.

A LONG TIME INVESTMENT

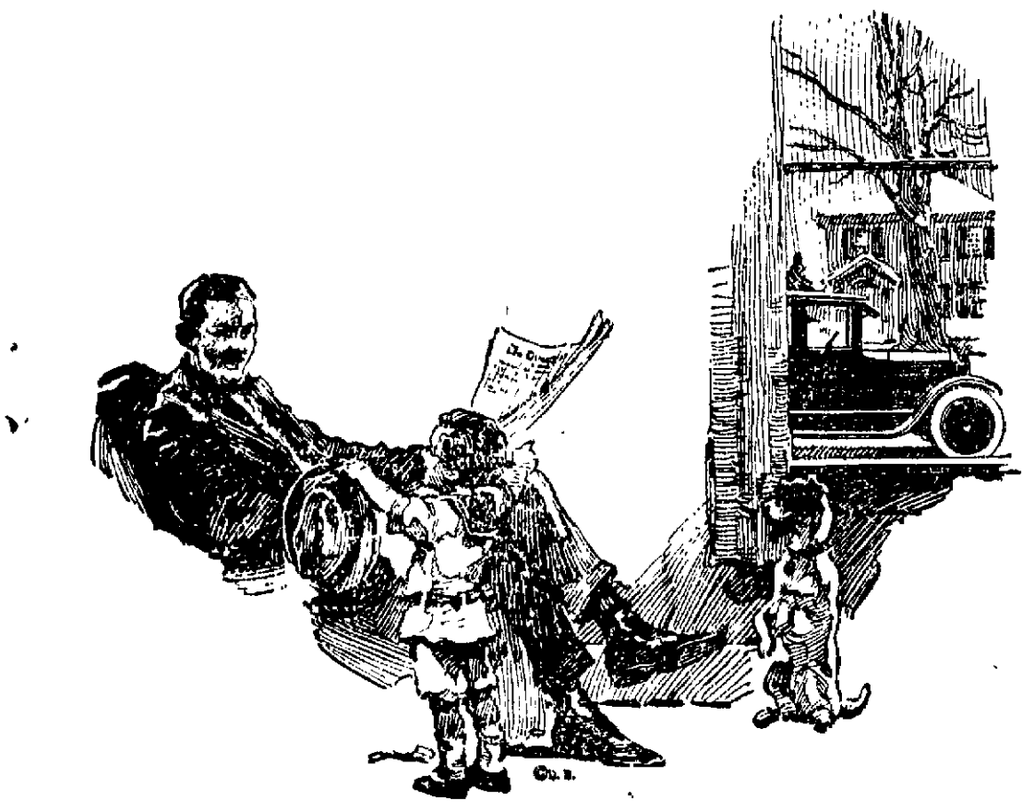
Every Dodge Brothers Sedan body is steel built throughout—sills, pillars, panels, frames and all.

This all-steel design—exclusively a Dodge Brothers feature—possesses certain practical advantages which recommend it most emphatically to the closed car buyer.

It reduces cost, assures a structural precision which is particularly evident in the snug fit of doors and windows, and results in a staunchness of construction which guarantees to the owner a long time investment—and a long time satisfaction.

Jackson Brothers

CARTHAGE AND SHERMAN STS.—PHONE 29



A Story of Success

How Studebaker Cars became leaders

145,000 people last year paid $200,000,000 for them

THE most talked-about cars among fine cars are the Studebaker Sixes—at $975 and up.

Sales have almost trebled in the past three years. The demand for these cars, growing by leaps and bounds, has been Motordom's chief sensation.

Over $200,000,000 was last year spent for Studebaker models.

Now we wish to explain, to all who are interested, the reasons for that success.

Studebaker has always led

For 72 years the name Studebaker has stood for quality and class.

Studebaker equipages, in the carriage days, held premier place. The White House owned them in the days of Grant and Harrison.

Now we make motor cars only. But the Studebaker name, in this modern field, simply had to maintain its prestige.

* * *

We had the money, we had the incentive — we who now control. And our one ambition has been to maintain the Studebaker place.

$90,000,000 assets behind us

Studebaker assets are $90,000,000. We have $50,000,000 in modern plants and equipment.

Not old plants re-adapted. We have spent $32,000,000 in new plants in five years. We have equipped them with 12,500 up-to-date machines.

Over $8,000,000 was spent on drop forge plants alone. Another $10,000,000 on body plants, to maintain our prestige in coach building.

We believe that no other plant in the country is so well equipped to build quality cars as Studebaker.

Engineering—$500,000 yearly

We created an engineering department which costs $500,000 yearly.

There are 125 skilled men there who devote their time to studying betterments in cars. They make 500,000 tests yearly.

There is a department of Methods and Standards. They decide and fix every standard in these cars.

Our factories employ 1,200 inspectors, to make 30,000 inspections on all Studebakers cars. Few flaws, few mistakes can escape them. That, we believe, is the finest organization ever devoted to motor car building.

The price of quality

On some steel alloys for vital parts we pay 15% extra to get them exact.

We spend $300,000 yearly to machine all cranks and rods just as in Liberty Motor cars. That is the reason for that perfect balance, that absence of vibration.

Every Studebaker car is Timken-equipped. The Special-Six and the Big-Six have more Timken bearings than any car selling under $5,000 in America. The Light-Six more than any competitive car within $1,000 of its price.

Open cars have real leather upholstery. They cost $25 more per car than imitation leather.

Our closed cars have Chase Mohair upholstery. This is made from the soft fleece of Angora goats. And a Sedan requires from 15 to 18 yards.

Velour for this upholstery would save us up to $100 per car.

Note the finish of every detail. Mark the infinite care. They add 25% to labor cost on luxurious closed bodies.

Note the completeness of our larger closed cars. The nickel-plated bumpers, the extra disc wheels and cord tires, the steel trunk, the courtesy light, etc. Think what they would cost you, bought as extras.

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Third Great National Campaign For Better Homes Is Planned

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3—The third great national campaign for Better Homes in America will be held this year earlier than ever before—during the week of May 11 to 18. This is the third year of this movement which originated from a thought expressed by the late President Harding in a speech delivered at Akron, Ohio, in 1921.

The central organization, which is completely divorced from all commercialism, has Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, as its president. Harvard University has granted leave of absence to Dr. James Ford, authority on housing and community organization, in order that he can conduct the nation wide demonstrations for the development of home life in America during 1924. Headquarters have been moved from New York to Washington, at 163 Pennsylvania Avenue.

The aims of Better Homes in America may be summed up briefly as follows: To show the advantages of thrift for home ownership, to overcome the shortage of homes in this country, estimated at 800,000, to strengthen home life and make it attractive, to assist and encourage home makers—ninety-two per cent of the housewives of America do their own housework—to improve the home environment, thereby promoting the physical and moral development of the child, to stimulate sensible purchasing for home improvement, and to mobilize community pride for a common object—pride of home

The late President Harding was heart and soul interested in this educational movement, publicly commending it in strong terms. He wrote to Secretary Hoover that 'not only is there the primary consideration on advanced material comfort but the soundness of our social system and stability of our country are greatly enhanced by the development of love for a home and the creation of a home that can be loved"

Mr. Hoover is authority for the statement that "A hundred years from now your descendants will still be reaping the harvest of your labor for Better Homes in America."

The Better Homes campaigns were first organized in 1922, when hundreds of committees, scattered from coast to coast and from the Gulf of Mexico north beyond the Artic Circle in Alaska, enthusiastically took part. The first prize that year was awarded to New Haven, Connecticut. There the committee took a house of the $8,000 class as a model. The committee, backed by the cooperation of practically every philanthropic, civic and business organization of the city, also put before families of very limited means a powerful object lesson by equipping a model tenement in the heart of the city which could have been duplicated for $350.

Spokane, Washington, exhibited and demonstrated three model houses representing a price range of from $4,500 to $12,000. One of the most interesting and instructing demonstrations of Better Homes in 1922 was at St. Helena Island, S. C. A plantation cabin was remodeled, furnished and equipped, the program being put in the hands of a group of colored men and women who carried it out splendidly. Every article in the cabin was placed there with the object of demonstrating the need for it and its use, and to show that it was within the reach of the average industrious workers fund. Daily lessons were given to show how time and labor might be saved in running such a home.

Last year the premier award went to Port Huron, Michigan, where a house was financed, completely furnished, and demonstrated entirely by a group of students in the high school. Gradually the work of the youngsters took hold of the community spirit of the entire city, every member of the community falling into line before better Homes Week was over. Eight thousand people went through the house which had been planned, built, furnished, and demonstrated by the school boys and girls of Port Huron. On the last day of the demonstration of this model "better home" it was sold at public auction for exactly $300 more than it had cost to erect and completely furnish.

The demonstrations have been broad in their scope, and it is planned to have them broader this year and in succeeding years. One great aim of Better Homes in America is to impress upon those having in charge the education of children the need of teaching young girls home management, and the disbursement of household budgets.

The phenomenal success of the high school students of Port Huron last year completely won over the educational authorities there, who have voted to put a model house on the high school campus, for conducting courses in home management and economics. These school authorities take the view that such education is of far greater and more lasting value than many of the academic and scientific courses prescribed for high school girls today. They know that for every girl who takes up chemistry for instance, as a life work, there are thousands upon thousands who devote their lives to the business of being wives and mothers.

Those responsible for Better Homes in America are working toward the end of having the example set by the Port Huron high schools followed by every school in the country.

The importance of books, pictures and music is stressed, as well as the myriad details of physical construction and equipment, such as having the kitchen sink under a window, so that the steam goes out of the window instead of into the dish-washer's lungs. Contests to determine the best two hundred books for a model home resulted in thousands of interesting lists, the Bible leading all other selections.

AMERICAN TENNIS STAR TO PLAY IN PARIS

NEW YORK, Feb 1.—Mrs. Molla Mallory, seven times American tennis champion, barred from the American Olympic team because she once played for Norway in the Olympics, will accept the invitation to play in Paris next summer for Norway, it was learned today.

Mrs Mallory has not officially accepted the invitation extended to her by the Norwegian Olympic officials but she will do so as soon as she feels sure of her legal grounds.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 2—An average of 15 children a day was the birth record set here during January, reports show. A total of 465 infants saw the light of day in the first month of the year in Dallas. January and February are always banner birth months, officials say.

Dope Addict Poses As Fortune Teller

A man who gave his name as W. B. Harrison was arrested here Friday afternoon by local officers charged with fortune-telling. According to the officers it later developed that he was a "dope" addict and that he had several hypodermic needles on his person. On a search of the room in which he was staying, the officers stated that some of the "dope" was discovered in solution.

According to the man's statement his home is at Greenville and he had been in the city only five days previous to his arrest. He said that during that time he had given only 8 readings and that he had not made his board at that. He also said that he was sick and wanted to go home, as he felt that that was the place for him.

His arrest followed a complaint filed by a lady who had gone to him for a reading. It is said that he told the lady that she would receive a message requiring her to make a long journey, and as she has a son in another state who is said to be quite ill she became very uneasy concerning his condition and took her misgivings to the justice court. One of the officers immediately took off his ensignia of office and visited the room of the supposed fortune-teller under the ruse of having his own future presented to him and brought the accused person back with him.

On the inability of the prisoner to give bond he was placed in the city jail to await trial.

OTTAWA, Feb. 1.—Professor John Sharp saw a chicken thief prowling about his barn early today. Garbed in his night gown and armed with a lantern he gave chase. Up into the hay mow of the barn ran the thief, the professor with his lantern in pursuit. Finally Sharp got close enough to hurl his lantern at the intruder. The hay caught fire, burning the barn, causing a $10,000 loss—and the thief escaped.

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Methodists In Texas University Many

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2.—The University of Texas Methodist church is now considering plans for a new Bible Chair which will be built by September, 1924, and will take care of the large number of students who are enrolled in Bible courses in the Wesley Bible Chair, according to Ernest C. Webb, director of Bible courses. A sum of $8,000 has already been collected and $30,000 has been subscribed.

There are 109 students in the classes for the winter term, and it is now impossible for the director to have his usual number of classes, because there is no room which will accommodate them. A new section has been formed, but the classes are still too large, it is stated.

Final plans for the building have not been definitely accepted, but it is certain that there will be a large auditorium on the top floor where 200 or 300 students can be accommodated on Sunday. This auditorium will also be used for Sunday School and for entertainments. The ground floor will have class rooms for the Bible students, a library, cloak rooms and an office for the director.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper will be administered at the close of the 11 o'clock service.

The new pipe organ will be ready for use next Friday and at 7:30 that evening Miss of Dallas will give a recital to which the public is most cordially invited.

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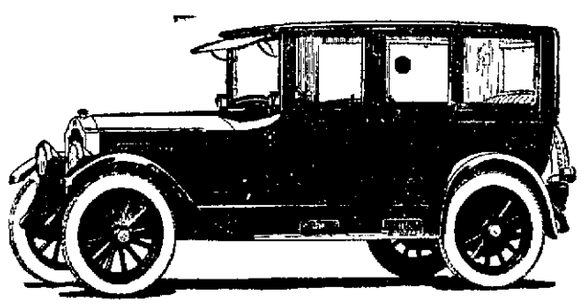
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Dallas Leads In Building in 1923

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 2.—Dallas led all other cities in Texas by nearly $2,000,000 in building last year, according to figures compiled by S. W. Straus Company here.

Only one other Southern city exceeded Dallas' total—Atlanta.

Figures for Texas cities were Dallas, $20,938,319; Houston, $19,096,831; Ft. Worth, $8,395,261; San Antonio, $8,056,216, El Paso, $2,101,796; Galveston, $1,889,876; and Wichita Falls, $1,717,498.

Atlanta's total was $27,011,198.

Mme. Curie, discoverer of radium, has been living in poverty in Paris. She has devoted every franc she possessed to scientific research. The French parliament has granted her a state pension of $2200 a year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rogers are the proud parents of a fine boy which arrived early Tuesday morning. The baby weighs nine pounds.

Dempsey And Harry Wills Can't Fight

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—In the course of tracking down mysterious millionaires who are bidding wild for a heavyweight contest between Harry Wills and Luis Firpo, some very interesting facts concerning the entire heavyweight situation have been learned from a source that is absolutely authentic and reliable.

These facts are:

That Jack Dempsey and Harry Wills positively can not fight this year and it is doubtful that they ever will be allowed to fight in this country.

That Tex Rickard will promote the Wills-Firpo fight—if they fight.

That Rickard will meet the bid of any rival promoter and that he will have the advantage in his favor because of his reputation.

That there is only one State in the country that is willing to listen to a mixed bout and that this State will sanction a Wills-Firpo bout only after some clever political manipulation.

That New York State positively will not grant permission for a Dempsey-Will or a Firpo-Wills fight.

That the authorities are willing to sanction a Dempsey-Gibbons or a Dempsey-Firpo fight but they will not permit Dempsey to fight more than twice and probably not more than once this summer.

While positive information was not secured, it was understood that Connecticut is the only State that will even listen to a proposal for a mixed heavyweight fight and that Pennsylvania and New York will never permit one.

A survey in St. Louis shows that 58 per cent of the traffic entering the business district during the day comprised automobiles and 10 per cent comprised street cars. But street cars, carried 67 per cent of the people to the business district while only 25 per cent moved in automobiles.

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19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

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346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m.
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32	From Dallas	10:08 a. m.
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The pecans constitute one of the chief shipping products of this section.

COULDN'T SEE HER OWN FATE

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 2.—The Madame Mummy was a fortune teller she admitted in court here that she couldn't foretell how her trial on vagrancy charges would come out.

So after meditating a bit Judge Campbell called into play his own occult powers and said she was not guilty.

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be holden in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 828 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars ($40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars ($20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1921.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County.

Issued this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

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INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6,000 for the year 1923.

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1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

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For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN
For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS, (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.
For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)
For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)
County Attorney—
SCOTT REED (re-election, second term.)

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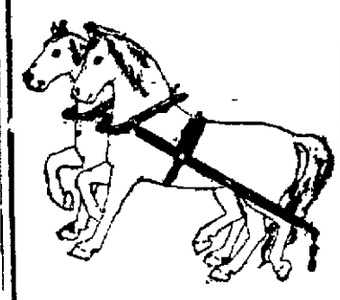

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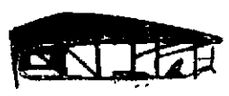

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District Court's Decision Has No Effect on Automobile Taxes Until Higher Courts Speak Out

The decision of the 77th district court of Limestone county pertaining to the new highway law, in which the court declared the new measure unconstitutional, does not effect the payments made for automobile registration, according to county attorney Scott Reed, who represented the commissioners court in the injunction suit heard and granted last Tuesday

He states that it is his understanding that the matter will not be definitely settled until the higher courts give their opinion, following the appeal made from the decision of the district court.

Since the question is yet pending he points out the new law is yet considered effective and registration payments are made on that basis.

Scott Reed Announces For Second Term as Limestone County Attorney

Scott Reed, county attorney of Limestone County, was in Mexia Friday, at which time, he announced that he was a candidate for re-election to the office which he now holds His name has been added to the growing list of candidates now seeking favor at the hands of the voters of Limestone County

Mr. Reed has been an aggressive and vigorous county attorney and during his past two years of service the county has risen to a high place among the orderly sections of the country, where men respect the law rather than merely fear it. His term has been so successful and so satisfactory to the people that he is justified in asking that he be extended the characteristic policies of democrats to re-elect a good officer to his second term.

He is a Limestone county product and his fellow citizens have been glad to honor one of their native sons. A veteran in times of war, he has no less been a splendid soldier in times of peace.

While in the office of County Attorney, he has given himself over seriously to the people's business in connection with that office. He has been content with serving the public diligently, faithfully and unafraid.

This same attention to detail and to every phase of the county attorney duties, he is certain to carry into the office next term

Pleasing in personality, easy to meet and always disposed to transact business in a most respectful manner a forceful speaker, yet in the prime of young manhood, and, with a reputation for integrity of character and upright, gentlemanly conduct, in private as well as in public life, Limestone county is practically certain to grasp the opportunity to secure his services another two years term.

Scout News

Growing? Yes by leaps and bounds.

Troop No. 1 met Friday night in the basement of the Baptist church, with Scoutmaster Rochelle in charge. After a very enthusiastic meeting, a number of the scouts passed the Tenderfoot test, the test that is necessary before a boy may become a regular scout.

Troop No. 2 met in the basement of the Methodist church, with an attendance of thirty-four. Mr. Willets, Scoutmaster was right on the job, filling the boys with peptorism, giving them some very instructive work. Mr. Willets took Troop No. 2 out Saturday afternoon for a hike, giving them the first real outing since his troop was organized.

Troop No. 3 met Friday night in the basement of the Christian church, with Scoutmaster Dale and Assistant Scoutmaster Dr. Porter in charge. Mr. Dale reports a splendid meeting, with a full attendance present.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Dale took his troop out for a real hike, which the boys enjoyed to the fullest.

Troop No. 4 met in the basement of the Baptist church. Scoutmaster Booker being out of the city, J. P. Dunaway met with Troop No. 4, representing Mr. Booker. Scoutmaster Rochelle tested out a few of troop No. 4 for the Tenderfoot test, a number of the boys passing.

Mr. Willets will organize a new troop within the next few days to care for the overflow of boys, the meeting place for the new troop will be announced later, this will make five troops to date, which proves conclusively that the boys are ready for the movement.

J. P. Dunaway treated Troops No. 1 and four to a Weiner roast which took place Saturday night at the Reunion Grounds, the boys hiked out Saturday afternoon under the direction of Assistant Scoutmaster Harper, Mr. Dunaway joining them later with the Weiners and the fixings. Did the boys enjoy it? You bet! They were good and hungry, and the twenty pounds of Weiners evaported like unto ice in July.

Scoutmaster Rochelle announced to his troop Friday that he would start next week a drill at Hughes Park and you may watch this drill with interest as well as the boys, this is a great boy builder, watch 'em grow.

Scouting is the process of making real men out of ... ys, by a real program which works.

Scouting is a happy, wholesome, worth-while, outdoor school.

Scouting is a huge, splendidly organized game, with all the fine zest of competition, the finer zest of cooperation, the keen testing of mind and muscle, the essential good sportsmanship of a football game. Only it is a constructive game, a progressive game. It gets somewhere.

Scouting is more than a game. It teaches signaling and first aid and fire fighting and outdoor cookry and a host of other useful and important things. It teaches also selfreliance and helpfulness, courage and courtesy loyalty and reverence, patriotism and honor, and other kindred qualities of good repute.

Scouting is non-sectarian, though its ideals are in accord with those of the modern church and it is based upon a pledge allegiance to the service of God, the brotherhood of man.

Scouting is not organized for war service, nor yet exclusively for peace service. It is organized for SERVICE all service, any service, high or humble, big or little, just service.

Incidentally it inculcates the soldier virtues of discipline, hardiness, courage, obedience and patriotism, a patriotism which holds itself ready to serve its country in whatever form the need and the call may come. Preparedness of this kind is the scout platform.

Scouting is democratic. It aims not to run every boy into one groove, but to help each to develop into the fullest manhood of which he is capable, and individual in the highest sense of the word, with recognized responsibility to himself and society.

Scouting is democratic also in that it knows no bounds of class, creed, or race. It speaks the universal language of world boyhood. It is the great melting pot of American youth.

The end and aim of Scouting is good citizenship, to make men "physically strong, mentally awake, morally straight."

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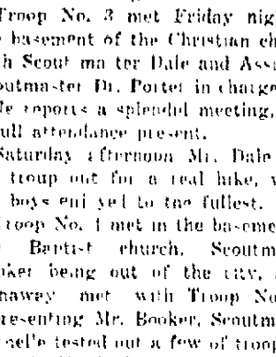

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Mothers Ask That Pastors Observe Child Welfare Day

The Mothers Council met in regular session Wednesday at the Library, Mrs. White, presiding.

The attendance was good, which was very gratifying to the president The reports from each school proved very interesting, showing that each president of the Parent-Teachers Associations is working enthusiastically for the good of all the schools. As February 17 is Child Welfare Day a motion carried that we ask our pastors to observe this day, as it comes on Sunday. Committees were appointed to consult with them about this.—Reporter.

LOCAL STUDENTS MAY COMPETE FOR $150 PRIZE

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2—Studetns of the high schools of Limestone county are given the opportunity to compete for $150 in prizes offered by C. M. Caldwell, regent of the University of Texas, and by the Dallas News, for the best essays written on local history. Mr. Caldwell has contributed $100 of the fund, and the Dallas News, $50. The most notable local history essay written in the state-wide local history contest will be awarded $40, and a large number of smaller monetary awards will be given to other successful contestants. All manuscripts must be submitted before May 1, according to Prof. W. P. Webb, of the University of Texas, history department, who is in charge of the contest. Further details will be furnished by him to all who request them.

"Every community of Texas, it matters not how small or how large it may be, has a local, a unique, and absorbing history, most interesting," said Professor Webb, who is the originator of the local history prize offer. "Every high school student of the state should take pride in recording the history of his own community will bring to light unpublished bits of history, so interesting and delightful, that the research student will feel more than repaid for his efforts. For each competitor, there is also the possibility of winning one of the prizes and the honor of having his article published."

Professor Webb's idea of local history follows:

"Local history is the history which may be found in your own community It is the history of your church, your town, your court house, or some interesting person. The story of an Indian fight that occurred near your home is local history, as is the account of a drouth, of a flood, or a fire Local history is not the story of important men or of great events. It is likely to be the story of the unimportant. In detail, it may be extremely interesting; in the aggregate, it is of great importance. From both points of view, it will be worth having. All essays, then should treat of local subjects, that are not too widely known."

Tax Payments In Mexia Are Large

J. D. Arrington, tax collector for the Mexia School District, states that the records show at the close of business January 31st, 1924, that that office had received approximately $116,000 for the school fund up to that time. He also added that this was about 90 per cent of the school taxes and is a far better percentage than was collected on the same date in 1923. For the entire previuos year, the office received only about $90,000.

R. D. Morgan states that about 85 per cent of all city taxes have been paid.

1180 poll taxes were paid in Mexia. This is from the city alone and indicates that between 1500 and 1600 is the voting power of the Mexia box alone.

Prisoner Jailed For Drunkenness Breaks Out Wednesday Night

Another prisoner broke out of the city jail Wednesday night. He was placed in the jail for drunkenness and the officers stated that they had to resort to force to bring him in. They were successful in jailing him but sometime during the night he made a get-away carrying off the lock of the door.

Electrical horsepower used in manufacturing in the United States increased from 8,835,970 in 1914 to more than 20,000,000 in 1923.

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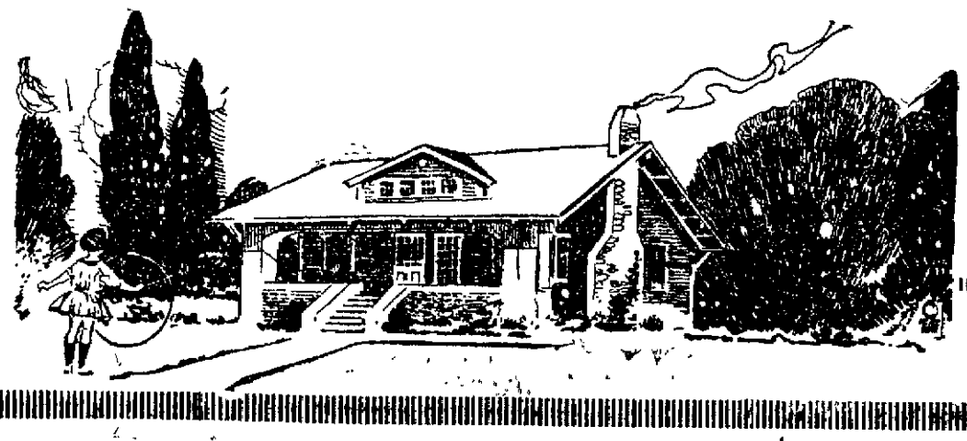

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WOODROW WILSON GRADUALLY LOSES GROUND

State Chemist From Texas A. & M. To Be In Mexia Saturday, February 9, To Discuss Commercial Fertilizers

Arrangements have been completed by the Chamber of Commerce whereby Dr. G. S. Frapp, State Chemist and cheif of the Division of Chemistry at the A. & M. College of Texas will visit Mexia on Saturday afternoon, February 9th and will speak to the farmers and others interested, on the "Value of Commercial Fertilizers". Arrangements have been made to hold this meeting in the Hurdleston Hotel building in the room formerly occupied by the drug store and afterwards used as meeting ing place for the luncheon clubs. Seats will be provided for 200 or more and the speaking will be held at 3:30 in the afternoon.

The Chamber of Commerce feels gratifying that they have been able to secure Dr. Frapps, as he rarely ever leaves A. & M. College to make addresses, and he is recognized nationally as an authority on the subject which he is slated to discuss.

Dr. Frapps is a very practical speaker and comes prepared to answer any question of interest with reference to the practical application of fertilizer, and the farmers in the vicinity of Mexia can make his visit exceedingly profitable to themselves if they will make it a point to hear him speak.

Dr. Frapp will be accompanied by Mr. A. K. Short of the Extension Department of the A. & M. College, who will also address the meeting with reference to the benefits to be derived from the serivces of the county agents. Mr. Short is a very entertaining speaker and those who hear him will no doubt be highly repaid for their trouble.

All farmers and others interested in farming methods in Mexia and vicinity are urgently requested to remember the time and place, Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9, at 3:30 in the Hurdleston Hotel building and are urged to make a special effort to hear these distinguished speakers on subjects of vital importance to farmers in this section.

WASHINGTON, Ftb. 2—The sinking sun found Woodrow Wilson still losing ground. He is suffering no pain but is too weak to talk.

"Mr. Wilson is fully conscious," He is not talking to anyone, but he Dr. GrGayson said.

"He is just slowly ebbing away. is still conscious."

Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, who was food administrator, during the war, called to inquire concerning Mr. Wilson. Cordell Hull, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, also left his card at the house Saturday.

A constant stream of people is passing the house and messenger boys bearing sheafs of telegrams are going in and out.

"Of course weare hoping," but added that the end might come "at any time."

Dr. Grayson denied that oxygen was being used to keep Mr. Wilson alive. He said a hypodermic was given last night to prevent restlessness.

"Mr. Wilson realizes his fight is over," Grayson said. "He is making a game effort, however. It almost breaks one down. He is very brave."

Mrs. Wilson, Grayson said, is bearing up and got some sleep during the night.

William G. McAdoo and Mrs. McAdoo, daughter of the former President, are on their way to Washington from California. Mrs. Wilson was advised early today.

Agricultural Committee Told To Raise $1,000 For Prizes To Be Given Farmers For Best Cotton Crop On Five Acres

On Tuesday of last week the directords of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce gave their endorsement to a plan which contemplated the giving of $1,000 in prizes for the best cotton crop on blocks of 5 acres, and the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce states to a News reporter that he has not yet finished soliciting contributions to this fund, but sufficient subscriptions have been made to warrant the statement that the plan will be adequately subscribed, and the Agricultural Committee, composed of Cox W. Brodnax, chairman, J. W. Stubenrauch, Roy H. Stokes have been notified to proceed with their plans.

This committee will meet at an early date and draft a set of rules for the conduct of this contest and it will be undoubtedly worth any farmers time and effort to enter five acres. No rules have yet been promulgated as they have not yet been made, but one of the committee states to a News reporter that it is likely that the commitee will permit the entrance of only one five acre block from each farmer who enters and the five acres entered must be designated at the time the farmer enters the contest.

It is pointed out that any farmer entering this contest is bound to be benefited whether he wins or not, for if he does not win a prize, he will increase his own cotton yield and improve his method of farming and will benefit thereby.

All farmers who would like to enter this contest are urged to notify one of the committtee as named above or John H. Sweatt, president, and Ben F. Stollenwerck, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Those who will give in their names will be promptly advised of the provisions of the rules when they are completed by the Committee.

No entrance fee will be charged and the contest is open to all farmers in Mexia trade territory.

Fall Refuses To Testify Before Probe Members

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Shrunken and nervous A. B. Fall, before the Senate committee, declined to answer any question regarding the oil lease scandal. He leaned heavily on a cane as he entered the committee chamber. After being sworn Senator Walsh asked Fall if he wished to make any statement. "I decline to answer any questions," said Fall. He then challenged the authority of the committee to question him. He said the resolution passed by the Senate providing for the present investigation is not in force now since other resolutions condemning oil leases had been passed. "I also decline to answer on the ground that it may incriminate me," Fall said.

In executive session the committee discussed holding Fall in contempt. The Senate colud try him and pail him if found guilty of contempt, and if he still refused to answer questions.

After reading the statement Fall walked firmly from the Chamber not using his cane.

The committee finally decided to seek further authority to make Fall answer.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas, Feb. 2.—Charges will be filed against Harry Leahy, lawyer, following the shooting of District Judge Walter Timon. The latter is seriously wounded. Trouble over litigation in the settlement of a suit in which both men were interested as attorneys, brought on the shooting, which occurred on a street.

STILLWATER, Okla., Feb. 2.—David Fink, Roy Doak and Earl Nutter, Oklahoma Aggie students, were realeased on $2500 bond each on murder charges in connection with the death of Mrs. Matilda Hodges who was killed by a stray bullet while the boys were shotting at a traget. The woman was accidentally killed. Two others were slightly injured.

SECOND TERM AT SCHOOL ENDS WITH FINE RECORDS

On Monday, January 28, regular work for the second term began in all departments of the Mexia School. Examinations had been completed, records made and programs arranged almost without exception during the preceding week, Principal Andrews stated that he was well pleased with the orderliness and precision of the term-end work. Very frequently this time is marked by harassments both to faculty and student-body, and Mexia High School is fortunate in avoding such unpleasant situations.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 2.—The Senate ratified the general claims convention with the United States, settling claims for the loss of American lives and property in Mexico. The terms of the convention were agreed to during the Recognition Conference last summer.

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 2.—Another Mexican troop movement from Sonora through Arizona, New Mexico and into Mexico via El Paso, is due in a few days, it is reported. The exact number of troops to be moved is unknown.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 2.—One dead, ten injured, and three unaccounted for as the toll of an explosion and fire which wrecked the four story building of the Bailey-Reynolds Chandelier Company blast rocked the city business district. It was caused by leaking gas in the basement.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The liner Cleveland which arrived here three and one-half days late because of the rought weather, reported three casualties on the trip. One passenger was washed overboard by a gigantic wave; another suffered a broken leg and a third died of illness.

Bonus Bill To Be Considered Next Tuesday By Vets

C. G. Puckett, Superintendent of City Schools, is in charge of the program for the Nowlin Post of the American Legion next Tuesday night.

He announces that the program will consist of a consideration of the bonus bill, pro and con, so that a thorough understanding of the proposed measure.

A large attendance is urged for this most important session.

The Bible was first translated into the Chinese language 100 years ago by Robert Morrison.

HACKNEY TESTS IS NOW AROUND 2660

The Hackuey test in the Northeast Mexia wildcat district is now drilling in the Austin chalk at around 2600. The depths at which the bit goes out of the chalk now bear watching, say those who have studied the game, as that will have an important bearing on possible future developments.

Mrs. T. P. Junkin of Dallas is visiting in the home of her brother, R. A. Parker of this city.

"Canning" Cupid's Representatives At Houston Ct. House

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 2.—The death knell has been sounded for Houston's "janitor-cupids."

Horny-handed keepers of Harris county's courthouse who have been meeting prospective newlyweds at the door and escorting them to their "favorite" justice of the peace must go, according to an edict of County Judge Bryan.

For their services in "bringing around trade" the janitor had been receiving $1, it was found. The justice usually received $5 and passed along $1 to the "ballyhooer."

J. P. Harding was here Friday from McKinney.

ST. MARY'S TO BE DEDICATED TO GOD NEXT TUESDAY

Tuesday at nine a. m. St. Mary's church will be the scene of one of the most solemn services in the liturgy of the Catholic church—that of the dedication of an edifice to divine worship, making it no longer a building but the "House of God." Many citizens of Mexia are planning to attend this service. There will also be representatives here from Dallas, Ft. Worth, Houston, Waco, Corsicana and Teague. The church will be dedicated by Rt. Rev. C. E. Byrne, Bishop of this, the Galveston Diocese. There will be mass Coram Episcopo. The Celebrant will be Rt. Rev. Monsignor Kirwin V. G., of the Galveston Diocese. Rev. M Schumacher, President of St. Edwards College, Austin, will be Deacon, and Rev. V. Graffeo will be subdeacon. Rev. E. A. Kelley of Beaumont will be master of ceremonies. Rev. P. A. Heckman and Rev. Joseph Pelnar, Chaplains to the Bishop. The sermon will be delivered by Bishop Byrne. The musical program will be as follows:

Leonard's mass in Eb.

Personnel of the Choir

Sopranos: Mrs. N. Bendy, Mrs. Thos. Flynn, Mrs. John Lowery.

Altos: Miss B. Daniels, Mrs. R. B. Vanneman, Miss Yaney, Mrs. C. Puckett.

Tenors: A. McDonald, J. H. Kelley.

Bass: M. J. McGee, J. Ed Overbeck.

Solos: Kyrie Eleison (Lord Have Mercy on Us)—M. J. McGee.

Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Glory Be to God on High)

Gratias Agimus (We Give Thee Thanks)—Mrs. Thos. Flynn.

Credo (I Believe)

Et In Incarnatus Est (And He Was Made Man)—Mrs. Thos. Flynn.

Genitum Non Factum (Begotten Not Made)—Mrs. R. B. Vannemann.

Offertory: Salve Regina (Hail Holy Queen)—Mrs. John Lowrey.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus (Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord).

Benedictus Qui Venit (Blessed Is He Who Comes)—J. H. Kelley.

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)—Mrs. John Lowery.

Dona Nobis Pacem (Give Us Peace) Finale, Choir.

Directress, Mrs. Charles Puckett.

Organist, Mrs. J. M. Stucki.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Sunday fair and warmer; cast cold; colder in extreme northwest.

West Texas.—Sunday fair and colder in north and west.

A. O. Vaughan, C. L. Stevens and G. O. Tracy were visitors to Mexia Friday from College Station.

H. R. Rich of Corsicana was in Mexia Friday.

Jack Corley who is attending Texas Military Academy at Terrell is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Corley, for the week end. He will return to his school early Monday morning.

F. J. Hearne of San Marcos was here Friday.

Walter Dezelle of San Marcos was a visitor to the city Friday.

Regular Session Of Methodist W. M. S. Held Monday

The Study Class of the Woman's Missionary Society met in regular session on Monday, January 28, at the home of Mrs. W. B. Andrews. There were sixteen members present. The lesson was led in an interesting and thorough fashion by Mrs. Anderson. Supplementary material was given by several members, showing the results of earnest study. The regular study of the lesson followed by round table discussion of both the lesson material, and many problems of religious life. The whole society showed itself as deeply impressed with Rev. Andrews' sermon of the previous Sunday, in which he showed the alarming lack of religious training the children of America are receiving.

SHRINERS FEAST PLANS MADE IN MEXIA

Arrangements for the first 1924 banquet of the Mexia Shrine Club have been completed and a committee of Shriners is now busily engaged in the sale of tickets for the banquet which will be held in the High School cafeteria room at 7:45 Thursday night Feb. 7. The tickets are selling fast and indications are that ticket sale will be finally closed Monday night or Tuesday morning.

In speaking of the coming banquet, an official of the club says that it is going to be an occasion on which every Shriner and his lady is guaranteed a good time, in fact, that is the prime object of the banquet, and it has been said that Shriners do know how to have a good time.

There will be only one speech during the evening, and some well known Shrine speaker will be on for that feature. His name will be announced later.

The Mexia Shrine club is in receipt of a telegram from the Corsicana Shrine club giving an invitation to Shrine Circus in Corsicana from Feb. 4th to the 9th and the telegram says "Big time guaranteed." John Calhoun is president of the Corsicana Shrine and Roy Nussbaum is secretary.

Tickets for the Shriners banquet Thursday night are now on sale. Those wanting them phone or see Dr. Roy Leamon or Ben Stollenwreck.

J. W. Horn will move to Littlefield, Texas about the middle of the month. He has been in business here for the past three years and has many friends who regret to learn of his contemplated departure.

S. R. Little of the "Yellow House Sand Company" of Austin is visiting in Mexia.

The ladies of the auxiliary will serve hot biscuit and fried chicken to the American Legion next Tuesday night at Legion headquarters.

Miss Audrey Carcee of Houston is on a visit with her sister, Mrs. A. M. Hawes of Mexia.

Rev. E. E. Rogers is entertaining his father this week.

Miss Audree Marcee was in the city Saturday from Houston.

Neighbor Falls Out With Neighbor And One Of Them Is Now In Grave Following Shooting South Of Town

What is declared to be the climax of a feud of long standing between two old families of this section occurred Friday afternoon about five thirty o'clock when Jim Fife was shot to death by his neighbor, C. H. Testaman, on the dividing line betwen the farms of the two men 3 or 4 miles south of town. According to witnesses Testaman was engaged in repairing some fence when the shooting occurred. Fife was shot five times from a 32 caliber automatic, so the physicians called to the scene stated, the bullets lodging in his chest and one probably penetrating his heart. Death occurred in a schort time. Testamen surrendered to officers from Mexia shortly afterward. He made bond in the Justice court here to the amount of $10-000. Only one witness was examined Friday night.

Fife is survived by a wife and several children. He was about 51 years of age, has been a resident of the community in which he lived for a long while.

According to those familiar with the case the trouble started originally over a misunderstanding concerning some land. The trouble grew into a positive feud and several times during the past personal clashes occurred between the two men, say witnesses. One of these clashes took place at a local blacksmith shop when Fife is said to have struck Testaman over the head with an axe handle and further trouble was prevented only by the intervention of bystanders. Several times, it is reported threats had been passed between the two mne.

The Saturday before the shooting Fife had been sued in the Justice court by Testaman, who claimed that Fife had turned his cattle loose and that they had depredated his (Testaman's) land. Fife was acquitted in the court, it is stated, and the matter only served to aggravate the trouble between the two men.

Fife's body was brought into town about 6 o'clock Friday evening and prepared for burial at the John R. Corley Undertaking parlors. His funeral services took place at the Forest Glade cemetery Saturday afternoon at 3:00 p. m.

Testman was given a preliminary trial before Justice of the Peace Osborne Kennedy Saturday afternoon, at 1:30 with County Attorney Scott Reed of Groesbeck representing the State and A. B. Reynolds of Mexia representing the defendant.

The examining trial drew much interest, as the Justice Court room was crowded throughout the afternoon, while the case was being heard.

One white man and three negroes testified as eye witnesses of the affair which led to the death of Fife. Throughout the day, while the examination was in progress, the wife of the defendant was by his side, both bearing up well under the strain. Their little son, and her mother, too, were present.

Four eye witnesses to the incident leading to the death of Fife were placed on the stand. One white man and theree negroes. The white man was Herman Moore, a teamster of the Humphreys-Pure Oil Company. He stated in his testimony that he was going home with his team and was in the main road between Fife's home and Testaman's home when he heard shots and looked up in time to see Fife fall. He stated that the two men were between 75 and 100 yards from him at the time of the shooting. Testaman, he said, was leaning across a barb wire fence and fired several shots into Fife after he had fallen. According to his testimony he ran toward the body and arrived about the same time that Mrs. Fife arrived. He later helped carry the body into the house.

The other eye witnesses were negroes employed by the two farmers. Lawson Williams and Preston Eddington were working for Testaman and George Gambrell for Fife. Testaman's hands were building him a fence. This fence they stated ran parallel to and about one foot from another barbed wire fence which Fife had built on his side of the land line. The negroes said they were engaged on a part of the fence. According to their testimony, Testaman went down the fence to the corner only a few yards from Fife's home. Fife came from behind his garage down towards where Testaman was fixing his (Testaman's) fence. He had a pick handle in his right hand, witness stated. When he got within about six feet of Testaman, he said to Testaman: "How do you like my fence?" Testaman replied: "I like my fence fine." Other remarks may have been exchanged, but the next heard by witnesses was "Fife said to Testamon in a loud voice, 'If you want to fight come on out in the road.'" Shortly thereafter Testaman was said to have begun shooting, firing two shots in quick succession. Fife fell after the first shot and then Testaman fired two shots or more while Fife lay on the ground. They said that they ran from the scene of the shooting, at the moment, and did not go near the body until it had been removed from the place where it fell. Testaman was then reported as having turned around, placed his pistol in his pocket and ran towards his home, giving instruction to the negroes who were working on his fence to bring the wagon and team to the house some three or four hundred yards away.

At the time of the shooting, it is stated, children of Mr. Fife were playing in the yard and on seeing their father fall cried to their mother to "come quick, papa's been killed." A boy of about sixteen years who was placed on the stand said that he was in a barn at his home several hundred yards from the scene of the shooting when he heard shots and ran immediately toward them. When he arrived several minutes later, he said, there were several persons, principally the family of the dead man, standing about the body. Someone told him to go after some neighbors, he said, and he was gone about twenty five minutes, before he returned with two of them.

Seven witnesses in all were examined, only the four being eye witnesses of the affair which is deplorede by the entire section, who hope that no further trouble will ensue.

At the conclusion of the testimony Justice Kennedy ordered that the defendant be placed under $10,000 bond, to await the action of the next Grand Jury, which it is understood will be early in March. Bond was promptly made.

Boyd Thanks Everyone Who Helped In Making Demonstration Home A Success and A Service to Mexia

Four hundred and ten persons registered in the two and a half days in which the Hughes Demonstration Home was open, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, of the week just closed.

The great interest in the home was surprising not only to Mr. Hughes but to the men who built it. E. B. Mosley, manager of the J. R. Neece Lumber Company was among those most surprised at the great number of folks who attended the demonstration. The numerous questions, involving every phase of the home, indicate that quite a number here are now planning new homes.

W. K. Boyd, President of the News Publishing Company, who gave considerable time to the project, in speaking of the matter said: "I wish to thank E. B. Mosley, Lawrence Ingram, contractor, and all connected with the erection of the J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home. Their cooperation has been splendid. Also I want to thank the ladies of the Delphian chapter for their wonderful repsonse to the invitation to act as the reception committee at the home during the two and a half days in which its doors were thrown wide and with a welcome to the public. The great number visiting the place, surprisingly large, even to us who have thought constantly for several weeks of the place, was no doubt due in a large way to the work of the ladies, both in inviting their friends to the home and in the courtesy extended all who crossed the thrshold of the place. The public has been very generous in its praise. I feel that Mr. Hughes has witnessed the accomplishment of the purposes prompting him to challenge the News to build the home. I also feel sure that the home is worth every cent that it cost, and that Mr. Hughes has not only done a real service for Mexia in building it, but that he has also secured a splendid investment. Let's have more homes like this in Mexia.

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BIRDS OF ILL OMENS

Just now almost everything else is being pushed into the background by the investigations of the operations of various officials, bureaus and departments under the present administration. And a fine mess it is even at this time, and the worst is yet to come. The Teapot Dome scandal is large and important, but for venality, sordidness and criminality, it is not in the same class with others already uncovered and yet to be exposed, and they are coming thicker and faster: "First a speck, and then a vulture, till the air is thick with pinions." And they are birds of ill omen for the Republican party; unless the old spirit is frozen in the veins of the voting public that party is facing a stupendous crash, a disaster from which its recovery will be very doubtful. It will be recalled that the two or three scandals of the Grant administration, even though the President ordered the Attorney General "to let no guilty man escape," caused such a revolt among the voters that Tilden was elected on the face of the returns in 1876. The battle cry of the Democrats (and very appropriate for the coming campaign) was "Turn the rascals out!" The people undertook to turn them out, but it was found after the election that they were so numerous and so well intrenched that they succeeded even then in robbing Tilden of his victory through the scheme of the Eight-to-Seven Commission and the attendant bribery.

These various scandals of the present administration have not been developed as the result of an elaborate scheme to dig up criminal acts to use for political effect, as was the case when the Graham Smellnig Committee was created by the Republicans at the close of the war, but have just cropped out from time to time, and sometimes two or three at a time. And the public washing of the soiled garments has caused men to break down, to die in disgrace and to end their own lives. It is even believed in many quarters that the death of President Harding was partly due to his worry over these conditions as he saw them developing in his administration. It so happened that his one effort to clean up was miscredited—through the false and unjustified reports of Brewer, the assistant detailed by Daugherty to the job of investigating the Wilson appointees in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Harding discharged 28 of the heads of the Bureau, two of whom died from the unmerited disgrace, while the others have all been publicly exonerated and a number of them returned to their places. Others refused to return.

It has become necessary in some cases for the Democrats to force, by the most drastic threats and actions, the creation of Senate Committees to investigate the facts connected with certain cases. In the matter of Senator Spencer's alleged connection with the big Fouke Fur Company of St. Louis, it took weeks to induce the Republicans in the Senate to consent to look into the case, and when it finally came up on the floor of the Senate, the galleries were astonished to see Senator Spencer himself presiding over the session. It is believed the committee will get down to work on the case this week. As the investigations develop and the committees are created it will become a question as to how to conduct the business in the committee rooms and yet maintain a quorum on the floor of the Senate. Here is a partial list of the scandals and sensations to date, with others waiting in the wings and soon to be on the stage:

The Newberry election scandal
The Daugherty scandal
The dismissals at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing
The Goldstein scandal at St. Louis
The Ship Subsidy and Ship Sales scandal
The Veterans' Bureau scandal
The Sugar Profiteering scandal—30 cent sugar
The Sinclair-Teapot Dome scandal
The Reclamation Service scandal
The Income Tax Bureau scandal
The Packers and Stockyards scandal
The Tolbert scandal
The Slemp post-offices scandal; and several others coming, including some very remarkable doings under the Treasury, the Navy, the Department of Commerce, the Government Printing office and the Tariff Commission. In other words, the list of entries is by no means closed.

THE INDICATOR IS ALWAYS UPWARD

Business men have access to charts intended to show them when higher prices are coming and when they may look for a drop. It is claimed by the chart compilers that the laws of action and reaction are equal. The pendulum swings as far one way as it does the other. Charting helps us peer into the business future.

These same observers report that prosperity is associated with decreasing church attendance. When people are poor they think they need God more than when their pockets bulge with cash. It is within the observation of most of us that in dire distress people turn to God as a last resort, and when the weather is fair again they think they can manage their own future without taking God into account.

The wise man in business consults his chart when business is booming as well as when buyers are few. The Christian accepts the Bible and God as his guide through life, surrenders his will to God and abides by the course God lays out for him.

Whether man seeks God at the end of life or at the beginning, God is always the same. He is ready to guide whether man realizes his need of help or not. There is never any back swing to the pendulum of God's love, however much variance there may be in man's obedience to him.

Regular church attendance will help one find the law of God for him if he attend with a sincere purpose to seek for himself.

Of fifteen Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee, eight don't dare to vote for the Mellon Plan and then face the voters. The Democratic proposal will win out.

MEXICO.

By OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

From the silv'ry strand of the broad Rio Grande
Cross Sierra's craigs to the Ocean's flow
Can be heard the dull march of a great army band
Prostrating in shame poor Old Mexico;
Like a gluttonous beast this horde doth now feast
On plunder obtained by ravage of war
And for justice and right they care not the least
Refusing to hear the plea from afar.

The dark, crimson stain of her despotic reign
Has blotted her name on history's page
With bold leaders spur'd on by conquest and gain
To sanction the woes of anarchy's rage.
All her mountains and wood are weltering in blood
And vassals of war are tortured and slain,
The tender shepherd lad is shot where he stood
Attending his flock on green turfted plain.

This land once renowned is now laid to the ground
By bedlam and strife and treachery's guile
And intrigues of State and dark schemes are now found
To cleave with the sword prosperity's smile.
Her homesteads are burned, her rich farm now turned,
By foraging bands, to desolate waste;
The appeals of the poor in mockery are spurned
By cannon and shell her name is disgraced.

Will the world stand at bay while these vandals slay,
In riotous lust, the helpless and fair?
Go shine the bright torch of fair liberty's day
On darkness and woe that is dwelling there.
Let sweet freedom's rhyme, now some far distant chime,
Invade her dim shores of benighted wails
To break the scourge of caste that blights all her clime
And help restore law where crime now prevails.

Another near-scandal is developing from the work of the Re-classification Bureau, created to re-classify the employees under the Civil Service. It is alleged that the heads of this Bureau gave the chief employees of each branch of the Government the naming of their own pay increases, thus leaving insufficient of the appropriations for the various Bureaus to allow increases for the thousands of clerical employees who have been struggling for years against the high cost of living.

CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

MONUMENTAL GREATNESS

"It is not, O King, this monument that makes you great, but it is you, Our King, who makes this monument great."

So reads an epitaph on a monument erected and dedicated to an honored lost chieftan by the natives of a certain country in Eastern Europe.

Applying the beautiful truth to our own land, it might be engraved on our mountains and written across the landscape of our plains andn valleys:

"It is not, O Kingly citizens, this country that makes you great, but it is you, Sovereign Americans, who make this country great."

Proclamation

To the People of Texas:

For one hundred years our fathers and ourselves have been building the fine texture of civilization in Texas. Given a land surpassing fair, the pioneer fathers of Texas, men eager for the romantic endeavor of living, came here and staked the boundaries of an empire of vision. With their blood they traced on the glorious canopy of the new republic, the pattern of a great empire that has been perfected by the patriotic impulses and tireless work of their decendants.

Now has come the harvest season. The miniature that was etched in the colony sites in the valleys of the Texas rivers a century ago has become a proud canvas a thousand miles broad on which has been reproduced the full bloom of industrial, social, religious, and civic achievement. In Texas were blended the fine romance and tradition of the old South, and the full frevor and enthusiasm of the new West. On history's pages of that first twenty-five years when Texas was fighting for freedom and pointing the way to association in the family of American states, there are martial glories that will forever emblazon the shield of Saxon ideas and enterprise. The glory and heroism of the Alamo, Goliad and San Jacinto will never fade. The names of Austin, Houston, Bowie, Crockett, Lamar, and others of that illustrious group, whose ideals have guided our destinies, suggest suprome moments in a people's life. What state in all the march of civilization can point to a more valorous beginning, or more glorious journeying in the paths of progress?

The completion of this century of treading the highway of a State's destiny has turned the minds of Texans everywhere to Texas. There has been awakened a universal desire to commemorate the heroic deeds of those who laid the corner stone of the Texas Empire. It is altogether fitting that the significance of this great opportunity should be impressed upon all of the people, and that a representative assembly should be convened to take some positive action looking to the preparation of a great centennial feast of art, history and industry, not only to show Texas to Texans, but invite the world to be our guests, that the people everywhere may know that Texas is as great in achievement as in area.

In the city of Austin on Junuary eighth, a group of patriotic citizens met in open conference and arranged for calling a great public assembly. Concurring in the purposes which prompt the calling and holding of such a meeting, I, as Governor of Texas, commend this undertaking and join these patriotic citizens in designating February 12th, at 10 A. M., as the time, and the Capitol of Texas as the meeting place for a great assembly of loyal Texans to consider plans for the celebration of a TEXAS CENTENNIAL, and invite the citizenship of Texas to come and to sit in council for the purpose of determining what action may be best to insure the fullest measure of success to this great undertaking, and of selecting a time and place for a Centennial of world-wide import.

PAT. M. NEFF,
(Copy) Governor of Texas

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Representative Garner's tax reduction plan will affect two million taxpayers, the Texan as congressman asserts. Under his scheme, he proposes the following; exemptions of $2,000 for single persons and $3,000 for heads of families; a normal tax of 2 per cent on incomes under $5,000 and 4 per cent on incomes from $5,000 to $8,000; surtaxes are graduated from six per cent on $8,000 to 44 per on $92,000; a 33 1-3 per cent reduction on earned incomes which would affect farmers and small business men.

John A. Mingo of Big Sandy was in the city Thursday.

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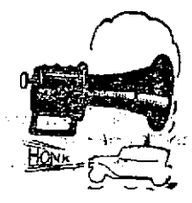

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undation Of American Civilization reatened When Bible Taken From The blic Schools Says Methodist Pastor

of the greatest sermons n Mexia in recent years was livered Sunday, Jan. 27th, by . B. Andrews, pastor of the Methodist church on "Educa- ough Good Literature."

message of the morning was ted on at the time as being ly helpful and many ex- the opinion that such ser- ld do much to purify the re of the day and stimulate the best only.

ong appeal was made for the o be returned to the public

art his sermon follows:

ion Throuogh Good Literature

1 Thes. 5.21. Prove all Hold fast that which is good. we read constitutes a large f our education.

ation which does not take to account and man's relation- Him will be hurtful and des- e of our Christian civilization. sciousness of the existence and of God and of our relationship is fundamental in Christian ter and life. God is. God lives. ules. This is God's world and e his creatures. We need to and consider these things.

deepest and most vital exper- we have come of our rela- ip to Him. The soul's exper- with God are the only exper- that are worth while, and any hat interferes with this is an to you and God.

well for us to recognize that are forces in our midst that structive of our christian cul- and institutions. With these or impaired, our relationship d is disturbed and our boasted ation goes down.

er W. Babson, the great Amer- tatistician, says: "We owe our ation to religion, and we owe n to the church. All that is in orld today that is worth while from men filled with integri- aith, industry, brotherly love hose other factors which come God. The church deserves the of keeping these factors be- the world. Hence it is evident ve are indebted, not to the mas- f finance and commerce for our it security and prosperity, but e church and the preachers."

cation that has not the relig- lement in it is incomplete and to drift into materialism and fatally defective.

the beginning of the nineteenth y all the schools of all grades had the character of religious itions. They were required to definite religious instructions. I remind you that all the ls established in America pre- to that time were established e church. As a rule preachers the teachers in those schools. close of the nineteenth cen- he public schools, from the pri- grades to the university, had ge thoroughly secular.

quote again from Mr. Babson: are neglecting the greatest of es, the great spiritual re- es upon which everything de- . How shall we develop those rces? Certainly we are not do- t now in our public schols. The tional system was originally ded by the Church to train the en in the fundamentals of eousness. Gradually we have d away from this, and today purpose for which our public ls were started is entirely lost. r these conditions is it sur- ng that the spiritual resources ir children are lying dormant?"

ere are 25,000,000 school child- n the United States. In recent hs scientists have been testing children as to truth and hon- Dr. Walter S. Athearn led in work. The board of directors un- whom he did this work was made up of the president of the university of Chicago, the president of Brown University, the president of the Agricultural College of Massachusetts and others of like character.

These tests showed that 64% of these children will lie, cheat and steal—16,000,000 out of the 25,000,000.

One of the tests was to give to the child 25 cents with which to buy a given article. The merchant, being instructed beforehand, would say to the child, "We are selling that today for 15 cents," and would give back to the child 10 cents. Only 36 out of each 100 children returned the dime to the teacher.

Another test was to give each child a chance to beat the street car company out of the fare. Other tests of the same character were made and the average of those who were dishonest was 64%. In some cities and towns all of children were dishonest.

Bless these dear children, they are not to blame. We, who have been responsible for their training, are to blame.

These scientists then decided to put these children, or others in the same towns and cities, under ethical instructions and teach them that it is wrong to lie and cheat and steal. Under this instruction there was a 60% improvement.

Others were given definite religious instruction with prayer, Bible reading, singing and devotion. Under this instruction, there was an improvement of 85%. In one city where, under the other test, all had kept the dime, now, after they had had this religious instruction, all but one brought back the dime, and this one brought it back the next day, making it 100%.

When the Bible and religious instructions were taken out of the public schools, the foundations of our American civilization began to be undermined. The "seed corn of the nation is being destroyed."

Dr. Athearn then makes this bold statement—and mark you, he is not a religious fanatic, but a hardheaded scientist: "We have made the discovery that unless children are taught religion that they will not be religious. We have also made the discovery that children can be scientifically taught religion in such a way that the course of their entire lives will be changed. These scientific tests prove this beyond a doubt."

The question is asked, "Why not train these 25,000,000 children at home or in Sunday schools?" Answering the first question: It is a fact that very few of our homes are giving religious instruction to the children. As to instruction in the Sunday schools, these scientists made a test of the state of Indiana, as being, as they thought, an average state. They found that more than half of the children, of all classes of people, did not attend Sunday school. Of the Protestant children, only half of them attended Sunday school, and of these only half attended more than half of the time. It was found that of the children who did attend a Sunday school, that they received only twelve hours of instruction a year—the balance of the hour being taken up with other things.

Who is to blame for this condition? The children? No. The question is not so much as to who is to blame, as what will America do about it?

The men who laid the foundation of this great republic were trained in the schools of their day, and the religion of the Bible was drilled into them. The results show in the kind of government they gave us. What kind of government will we hand down to our posterity? Will it be the kind of government we now have if we allow the moral and religious faculties of the children to lie dormant?

Not only this, but the kind of literature we read affects our lives. How many of our homes have a religious paper? How many read that paper after it comes?

Do you read the fiction of the day? The short stories in the magazines and the books of fiction? Modern fiction may be classed all the way from semi-filthy to postively nasty. The sex question is the most prominent feature. Immorality is made prominent and rather encouraged. Unfaithfulness to the marriage vow is winked at and the hero and heroine are lionized for their ludeness and free love tendencies.

Is it true that these authors are setting the pace in such things? Is it true that the public demands such literature?

You will find books on the news stands that cannot be sent through the mails. They are too dirty and indecent.

The most popular plays on the stage in America last year were reeking with filth. Probably the most popular one in New York was not only indecent but was a slander and a libel on the church and the great mission work in the South Sea Islands.

You tell me this is all a backwash from the world war? Part of it may be. But such rank, noxious weeds would not grow if the soil were not congenial. The awful crime wave in America is but another indication of the same diseased condition.

The trouble is that we have ceased to teach the children of America that there is a God in this country. Our religious and moral standards have been lowered. The average home in America has absolutely no religion. Good books and literature in the home is as necessary as good food. The garments of righteousness are far more essential than the dresses and clothing we buy at the dry goods store.

You will agree with me that when religion was taught in the schools that we had high moral standards in America. We haven't those standards now. They are gone in large measure. The scientists of America tell us how we lost them.

Do you ask me what is the remedy I answer without hesitency, God. God in the home. God in the schools. God in business. Who will begin this return to the old paths? I answer, you. All reforms begin with the individual. "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

MOTHER AND THREE CHILDREN BURNED

AKRON, Ohio, Feb. 1.—A mother and three children were burned to death when flames enveloped a four room house in East Akron.

The dead are Mrs. John Smith, Jack Smith, 4; Anna May Smith, six montths and Eleanor Smith, 2.

Albert Rains, a roomer was severely burned. He is believed to have used oil in an attempt to start a fire in a cook stove.

Judge A. M. Blackmon was up from Groesbeck Saturday circulating among his friends.

Chinese Students Says Americans Much Like Them

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 3—"American students and Chinese students are essentially the same," said Miss Mohling Ma, student in the University of Texas from Tswan, Shantung, China.

Miss Ma said that about the only noticeable difference is in skin and language, and that, after all, these are only comparatively superficial things. Students in China and America have the same emotions. They laugh and cry over the same things and have the same fundamental likes and dislikes.

Miss Ma came to America three years ago, her purpose being to take advantage of better educational advantages in this country When she left China she knew very little English, but now she speaks it fluently and does well in her courses

She speaks enthusiastically about her native country, particularly the Student's Union in the Chinese schools All the schools in China, from high schools to universities, inclusive, are in the organization. Individual schools are represented in district unions, and these in turn are represented in a big national Students' Union

"Until the time of the Washington Conference," said Miss Ma, "the Chinese Government had not paid much attention to this students' organization. And it was not the intention of the Government to listen to the Union on political matters to be dealt with at the Conference. But upon the Government's persistence in refusing to listen to the wishes of the people expressed through the Union for Japan's return of Shantung to China, the fine organization of the students brought about a nation-wide strike of all industries. On the third day of the strike the Government agreed to all the demands of the Union, and the result was felt throughout the world. Japan gave up Shantung."

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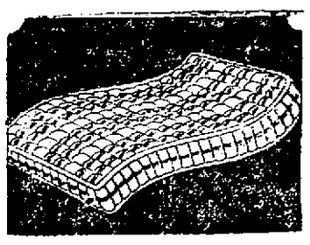

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—Several shipments of beautiful new millinery were received by our store the later days of last week. Dozens and dozens of the prettiest little models imaginable were included in these shipments. Monday and all this week we will have them on display for your convenience and selection.
—See them on our balcony floor.
HICKMAN'S
"The Ladies' and Children's Store"

HURDLESTON DINING ROOM
Home Cooked Meals
$8.00 per Week
THREE MEALS PER DAY
SINGLE MEALS 50c
MEALS SERVED:

Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
6:00 to 9:00	11:30 to 2:00	5:30 to 8:30

Special Sunday Dinner

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

MARLIN

The Luthran Church of Texas will shortly establish somewhere near the center of the population of the State a major educational institution and while Marlin is known to have received serious consideration for the college the point has been reached, say those, in touch with the situation, where this city must show something more than a receptive attitude if it wishes to secure the school Rev. H. Studtmann, serving as resident pastor of the Lutheran Church in a prosperous rural community, is chairman of the locating board.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Marlin Baseball club was held in the Chamber of Commerce headquarters Tuesday evening. The annual report of the finances of the club was read by the treasurer, E. A. Flowers, and was duly accepted by the members. Mr. Flowers was commended for the manner in which he has kept the accounts for the club during the past season. The election of directors resulted in renaming five members of the 1923 board, B. C. Bratton, E. E. Fannin, E. A. Flowers, P. E. Arrington, and N. E. Stockton. A. B. Johnson, another member, resigned recently to accept the presidency of the Texas Association and Robert F. Higgins, withdrew because of the fact that he will probably be out of town for several weeks this summer. M. S. Hunt was elected to fill the place left vacant by the resignation of Mr. Johnson and C. H. Olinger was chosen to take Mr. Higgin's place. B. C. Bratton was re-elected as president.

Every eligible person in Marlin is being urged to join the recently organized Parent-Teachers Association. Those eligible to membership include parents and all others interested in the welfare of the public schools. The dues of the association were set at twenty-five cents per year.

WORTHAM

Mrs. J. K. P. Poindexter and daughter, Miss Angie, of Kosse, have been visiting relatives in Wortham, and were the guests of T. B. Poindexter and R. G. Poindexter and their families. They returned home by way of Waco, and were accompanied to that city by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Poindexter and Mrs. T. B. Poindexter.

The Bounds Motor Company has broken dirt and begun preparations to erect a brick on Main and North Second streets. The completed building will be occupied by the company.

The Pleasure Profit Club met this past week with Mrs. Roger Seely. Games of 42 were enjoyed by the guests and at the close of the games refreshments in the form of Sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate were served. The club will meet this week with Mrs. H. O. Tatum.

HUBBARD

Rev. W. R. Johnson of Nashville, Tenn., has accepted a call to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Hubbard and he and his wife and two children will arrive here about the middle of February. Mr. Johnson will begin his pastoral duties February 17.

A banquet is to be given Friday night by the ladies of the Cemetery Association here in the basement of the First Methodist Church at which a charge of $1.00 for each plate will be made. A representative of the Neosho plan of co-operation for the town and country will be present and will explain the working of his plan. As Mr. Lowe, the representative, comes well recommended by the Cotton Belt Railroad, all citizens interested in the progress of Hubbard are urged to be present.

The post office at Abbott was robbed some time Monday night the robbers blowing the safe and escaping with $300 in stamps, $40 in money and a Colts revolver. According to the Sheriff's office the Katy depot at Eylm Mott was robbed the same night, the amount of loot secured by the robbers not being known.

C. C. Hudson of Dallas was here the first of last week looking over the town as a probable location for a produce house. Mr. Hudson stated that he will be back in a few weeks and will probably make his arrangements for locating here.

According to reports that have come to the office of the News from a trusworthy source a dog which bit several other dogs here recently appears to have been infested with rabbies. The dog was killed while in a fit Tuesday.

Last Saturday a fire of unknown origin broke out in the second story of the McLaughlin building at Mt. Calm resulting in the loss of the building and the most of its contents. The building was occupied by a garage, and a grocery and furnishing store.

TEAGUE

The Teague public schools began the second term of the year Monday morning. Attendance is holding up well, especially in the upper grades and the High School.

At the regular meeting of the Lions club at the Rex Cafe Friday, with Dr. W. P. Harrison presiding as the good fellowship chairman, Coach Lemon was named as delegate to a district meeting of the Lions Clubs to be held at Austin. During the meeting school athletics were discussed at length, and it was decided to bring the Trinity Glee Club to Teague at an early date for the benefit of the High School athletic fund.

The Culture Club met Friday afternoon, January 18, with Mrs. Jess Smith where she and Mesdames Niel McKennedy and Forrest Green were hostesses for the aftrenoon. Pink carnations were used for decorative purposes and were arranged in a very attractive manner about the living and dining rooms. The program was "Better Homes" and roll call was answered with modern conveniences. The different phases of the subject were discussed by members on the program in a very interesting manner while a pleasing vocal solo was rendered by Mrs. W. W. Kerr. Refreshments consisted of chicken salad, olives, crackers, fruit cake, coffee and salted almonds.

GROESBECK

Monday was a record breaking day Tax Collector W. A. Robbins' office when state and county tax to the amount of $191,087.24 was collected. This brings the total amount for the year up to $500,599.85.

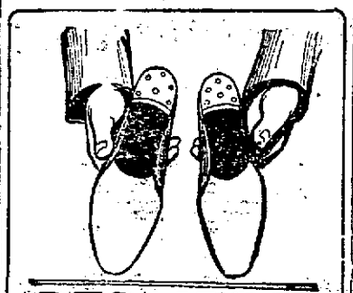
According to an announcement by the chairman of the local "Lynch Davidson for Governor" club Mr. Davidson will open his campaign in Groesbeck Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9.

A delegation of Mexia Lions headed by President J. K. Hughes visited the Groesbeck Club at their regular luncheon meeting Thursday of the week before last. Lion Hughes delivered a short address on this occasion in which he discussed "Lionism" and what it is possible for the Lions of Mexia and Groesbeck to do. The other members of the Mexia delegation made interesting and instructive talks, Lion Jere H. Cason, explaining how the Mexia club handles its luncheons and how they get the membership cut to their meetings.

The Masons of this section have a treat in store for them if they accept the invitation of the Groesbeck lodge to attend the Masonic Service meeting to be held here on the night of February 7th. At that time W. T. Ede, of Dallas, will deliver an address on "A Citizen and His Government," or on "The Equality of Opportunity."

INJUNCTION IS MADE PERMANENT BY COURT

Thursday of the past week, the injunction suit pertaining to the opening of the X-All Highway in the Forest Glade School district for the Forest Gldae school truck was heard before County Judge Fountain Kirby. The injunction was made permanent and in effect means that the contractors building the road must allow the school truck to pass over the highway.



REPAIRING

"Hello, Old Sole"

YOU LOOK YOUNG"

That's the way you'll greet your old Shoes when they return from Prickett's Shoe Shop "Fountain of Youth" for shoes. Your old shoes will be rejuvenated and made young again. Your shoes will have a new life. Don't throw them away—have them repaired at—

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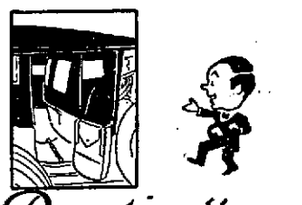

Practically a closed car

CURTAIN RODS FOR FORDS

These curtain rods for Fords are recent things.

Just attach them to the door of your For—the curtains are attached to the rods and the inconvenience of getting in or out of your car is eliminated.

Drive your Ford down and let us equip it with these rods.

Other cars equipped also.

R. G. McDONNELL
at Mammoth Garage
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IF at any time you need a closed car

Cars Meet All Trains Phone 488

NEW FORDS AND DODGES
for Local Driving
Dodge Sedan 50¢ per city trip
New Fords $1.50 per hour

JACK RIDDLE
In Front of Majestic Hotel

Attention Housekeepers

Buy your heating stoves NOW

I have a large stock of all kinds of Heaters, Cook Stoves, Dishes, Aluminum Vessels of all kinds. In fact, I carry most anything to be found in a modern hardware store for the housekeeper.

Attention Farmers

I sell the celebrated line of Oliver Implements, Peter Schuttler Wagons, Birdsell Wagons, Hercules Bug gies. I am headquarters for the good old handmade harness that wears like a pig's nose. The best collars, bridles and lines as cheap as good ones can be sold.

All Kinds of Guns and Ammunition.

F. R. KLOTZ
HARDWARE
209 E. Main St. Phone 387

Prostrate Trouble
Obtain Quick Relief

If you suffer from painful urination, get up frequently during the night, have that awful dull ache and burning sensation, by all means try the Hexol home treatment. Hexol is an improved, scientific preparation which is giving prostrate and bladder sufferers real comfort and relief—often in a single night—and you can test it without risk. Write us today to send you a $2 package of Hexol tablets by return mail. Enclose $2 or pay $2 and postage on delivery, just as you please, with the distinct understanding that your money will be refunded at once if you are not pleased with the results of the Hexol treatment. Don't continue to suffer from these painful conditions. You risk no money. Write for Hexol now.

MARVA PHARMACAL CO.
Dept. 2611, Coco Cola Bldg.
Kansas City, Mo.

Candies

We have taken on a new stock of Pangburn's Bulk and Package Candies and have one of the best lines of Fresh Chocolates in the city at lb. 60c.

Pangburn's Ragtime Chocolate at lb. 75c.

In addition to our noonday lunches, we are now serving lunches for evenings.

CHOCOLATE SHOPPE
Here to Please You.

PAINT UP!

SPRING IS COMING

Give that house of yours a new coat of paint. Make it look like new again. Paint it inside and out—and make your home an inviting home.

It may be that your business house needs painting. Don't put it off another day but make your house attractive to the public.

We have a complete line of Paints, Varnishes and Enamels.
Call on us for your needs.

J. R. NEECE LUMBER CO.
107 East Palestine St., PHONE 35

Barker Furniture

Stoves and Racket Goods

AND BARKER'S FISH MARKET WILL MOVE

Feb 1st. to 208 E. Main

One Half Block West from Present Location.

The First Presbyterian Church
Corner Bonham and Milam
Teaches Truth Builds Char
Ready to Serve.
11 A. M. "JOHN MARK'S SECOND CHANCE"
7:30 P. M. "WHAT IS THAT IN THY HAND"

E. H. HUDSON, Minister

Every one without local church connections may com Our services.

Money to Lend at 6 Per Cent
MEXIA HOMES

If you have a loan coming due on your home, or ex to build, improve or buy a home, this Association will you money for that purpose.

$15.80 a month repays $1,000.00 loan in 91 month
$31.60 a month repays $2,000.00 loan in 91 month
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$63.20 a month repays $4,000.00 loan in 91 month
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CAPITAL $10,000,000.00

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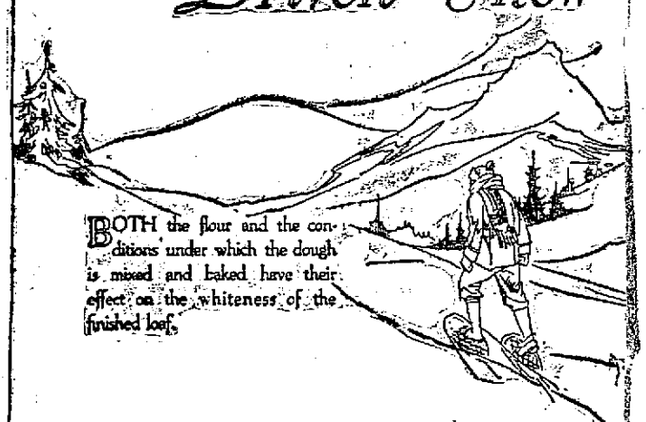
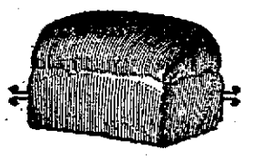
Give your family the pleasure, comfort and securit of a home.

As White as Driven Snow



BOTH the flour and the conditions under which the dough is mixed and baked have their effect on the whiteness of the finished loaf.

American Beauty Bread



Propp Bros.
Bakers of
American Beauty Bread

Can Be Had at All Grocers.

WHAT ABOUT THEM?

There's no distress like widowhood! Partic ularly is this true where no money or estat is left for her surviving days.
Do you want to leave your widow, you mother or your children in that position Are you going to impose upon their inex perience?
Come to us and let's talk it over. Let you Life Insurance policy be the protection po icy. We have many interesting plans a moderate costs.

LIFE - FIRE - TORNADO - AUTOMOBIL COMPENSATION

I specialize in insurance on country property such as barn dwellings and feed stuff.

TOM L. COX
ROOM 4 WHITE BUILDING

MEXIA MOTOR COMPANY WINS SALES RECORD CUP IN U. S. AND WIDELY ADVERTISES AREA

The Mexia Motor Company's successful business for 1923 has been of such magnitude as to attract the motor world. Its record for number of sales during the twelve months period won for the Mexia institution the "Vice President's Cup." This information is contained in a letter just received by the company.

The "Vice President's Cup" is a prize offered by the Studebarker Corporation for the second highest sales record in the United States.

December leaders hold the cup for one month, following which it will be sent to the Mexia Motor Company as a permanent trophy, speaking for itself and emphasizing the zealous attention to business of the management and a healthy condition of prosperity in this territory.

Not the least of the indirect benefits of this significant achievement is the extensive advertising for Mexia which this success will gain for it. In every community in the country where Steudebaker automobiles are sold, the Mexia Motor Car Company will be heralded as one of the best concerns of its kind in the United States.

This concern is a contributor to Greater Mexia and is doing its part in the program now launched to "Help Mexia Grow."

The management takes no credit whatever for this success to itself but expresses an appreciation to the public at large, who made the achievement certain and also to the manufacturers of this superb vehicle of the motor world.

South Bend, Ind., U. S. A.
Jan. 28, 1924.

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Since December leaders are entitled to hold the cups for one month, it will be a week or two before we can order your cup shipped to you. When you receive it please take it to your local jeweler and have him complete the engraving on the front side to show that you are the final winner.

Yours very truly,
The Studebarker Corporation of America.
G. W. Sweet,
Ass't Sales Manager.

We attribute our success to the loyal support of our customers and friends, we assure you that your patronage is highly and thankfully appreciated

You are always welcome,—visit us often.

Mexia Motor Car Co., Inc.

BALLOON TIRES AROUSE LARGE NUMBER OF QUERIES

Specialization is still at large in the land, dividing and then dividing again. Now balloon tires have caused it to perform another division in the already specialized business of question answernig.

A dozen or more men find steady employment in one railroad station giving all their time one thing, answering questions Not so long ago the station agent answered all questions just as a sideline while he checked baggage, sold tickets, handled mail and telegrams and kept the village urchins from annoying the live geese in the crate on the hand truck.

Now comes this latest prank of specialization in question answering And in rolls quietly into our lives, accompanied by very little "air" on the wheels of automobiles Information bureaus are springing up all over the land to answer the many questions which balloon tires have conjured up in the minds of automobile owners. Can I put on balloons? Do I have to change my wheels? Will they wear out faster? And so on—the number of questions being limited only by the limits of driver imagination.

One of the big Akron tire makers, The General Tire and Rubber Company, has gone so far as to designate every one of its distributor establishments as a free information bureau for all who are interested in any way in the balloon tire idea. Placards and advertisements set forth that the General distributors' places are balloon tire headquarters and the parent company has furnished all available information. All questions are answered intelligently and without obligation and the questioners are invited to ride in a car equippel with the big tires.

This compny is particularly well fitted to furnish its distributors with authentic data because it has been developing the balloon tire idea for the past ten years. The balloon tier of today is the magnification and refinement of the Jumbo which the General company built in 1916.

STUDEBAKER SMASHES ALL PREVIOUS SALES RECORDS DURING 1923

Nineteen twenty-three was a banner year for the automobile industry in both production and sales of cars. Coming after the year 1922, which showed a remarkable improvement over the "off year" 1921, the increase in automobile business during 1923 is even more impressive.

Studebaker's record in making 1923 its banner year with the sale of more than 145,162 cars follows a series of phenomenal sales records. Each year for the past six years Studebaker sales have greatly exceeded those of the previous year.

Students of statistics will recall the story that 1921 told. In that year the sales of Studebaker cars were 29.4 per cent greater than in 1920, while the total number of cars sold of all other makes except Ford was 40 per cent less than in 1920.

Stated otherwise, Studebaker's ratio of sales in 1921 was 129 and the total of other makes except Ford was 60, as compared with 1920.

In 1922, therefore, Studebaker had the showing of a record year to surpass and plans were laid for a production of 100,000 cars, as compared with 66,643 in 1921. Even with this large increase in production, at no time was Studebaker able to supply the demands for its cars. 110,269 cars were produced and sold during 1922, an increase of 65 per cent over 1921 which up to that time was the greatest year in the history of Studebaker.

The increasing demands for Studebaker cars continued in 1923. By the end of August, the 1922 record was exceeded, and by December 31 Studebaker sales had passed 145,162—making the greatest year, by far, in Studebarker history.

MAJOR LEAGUE TRAINING CAMPS

Big League Training Camps this year are located as follows:

American League

Boston Red Sox, San Antonio, Tex.
New York Yankees, New Orleans, La.
St. Louis Browns, Mobile, Ala.
Philadelphia Athletes, Montgomery, Ala.
Detroit Tigers, August, Ga.
Chicago White Sox, Winterhaven, Fla.
Cleveland Indians, Lakeland, Fla.
Washington Nationals, Tampa, Fla.

National League

New Yrok Giants, Sarasota, Fla.
St. Louis Cardinals, Bradentown, Fla.
Brooklyn, Clearwater, Fla.
Phillies, Leesburg, Fla.
Cincinnati Reds, Orlando, Fla.
Pittsburgh Pirates, Paso Robles, Cal.
Chicago Cubs, Catalina Island, Cal.

IS YOUR HUBBY SLIPPING? HEED THIS WARNING

"Wives! Be unusual!"

Such advice is offered women of the world by no less a personage than William de Mille, who sends this startling message through his latest Paramount production, "Don't Call It Love," which will be shown at the National Theatre Monday.

"Wives! Be unusual!"

To the average spirited American man, nothing is more tiring than monotony, according to the theme of "Don't Call It Love." It is therefore necessary that a woman, if she would continue to hold the interest of her husband after marriage, be different.

"I do not believe this picture intends to convey that a woman, to be different, must be inconsistent," says Nita Naldi, a featured member of the cast. "She should be consistent in her attentions to her husband—and her attentions should be only for her husband. She should use her personality in varying ways. She should dress differently; that is, instead of having all her house dresses pink or blue, she should have variety in color and style. These things would serve to keep her husband's interest centered on her at all times, whereas, if she allows her clothes and personality and appearance to become monotonous, he would seek elsewhere for the 'something different' his life demands."

In the new de Mille photoplay, the effect of monotonous, everyday love is brought home with unusual force by a triangle affair carried on by Agnes Ayers, Nita Naldi and Jack Holt. Theodore Kosloff and Rod La Rocque are also featured.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 1.—A small automobile, the worse for wear was found on a highway near here with a bill of sale signed by the owner and left blank to be filled out by the purchaser, attached to it. A note left with the bill of sale explained that who ever found the machine could have it by paying the highway taxes due on it.

TOKIO, Feb. 2.—Two small boys, inspired by one of the "blood and thunder" American movie pictures, were responsible for the wrecking of a train on which were twenty-five members of the Japanese diet. The wreck, which had of minor consequence, caused the greatest excitement, some believing it had been planned by anti-government plotters. Later, it was discovered the two youngsters only wanted to emulate the movie actors and decided to try it out on a train.

TENZA, Italy, Feb. 2.—An earthquake prediction contest seems to be in order here as the result of ridicule directed against Professor Bendani, expert quake forecaster. Incensed by the didicule of other seismologists, Bendani has challenged them to publish their forcasts for March, comparing them with his own which he offers to publish in full. Bendani refuses to disclose the methods he uses in foretelling earth shocks, declaring his research work is not yet complete.

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Mexia Motor Car Co. Inc.
500 COMMERCE STREET
PHONE 213 MEXIA, TEXAS

THIS IS A STUDEBAKER YEAR.

A Story of Success

How Studebaker Cars became leaders

145,000 people last year paid $200,000,000 for them

THE most talked-about cars among fine cars are the Studebaker Sixes—at $975 and up.

Sales have almost trebled in the past three years. The demand for these cars, growing by leaps and bounds, has been Motordom's chief sensation.

Over $200,000,000 was last year spent for Studebaker models.

Now we wish to explain, to all who are interested, the reasons for that success.

Studebaker has always led

For 72 years the name Studebaker has stood for quality and class.

Studebaker equipages, in the carriage days, held premier place. The White House owned them in the days of Grant and Harrison.

Now we make motor cars only. But the Studebaker name, in this modern field, simply had to maintain its prestige.

* * *

We had the money, we had the incentive—we who now control. And our one ambition has been to maintain the Studebaker place.

$90,000,000 *assets behind us*

Studebaker assets are $90,000,000. We have $50,000,000 in modern plants and equipment.

Not old plants re-adapted. We have spent $32,000,000 in new plants in five years. We have equipped them with 12,500 up-to-date machines.

Over $8,000,000 was spent on drop forge plants alone. Another $10,000,000 on body plants, to maintain our prestige in coach building.

We believe that no other plant in the country is so well equipped to build quality cars as Studebaker.

Engineering—$500,000 yearly

We created an engineering department which costs $500,000 yearly.

There are 125 skilled men there who devote their time to studying betterments in cars. They make 500,000 tests yearly.

There is a department of Methods and Standards. They decide and fix every standard in these cars.

We spend $600,000 yearly to machine all surfaces of crank shafts, just as in Liberty Airplane Motors. That is the reason for that perfect balance, that absence of vibration.

Every Studebaker car is Timken-equipped. The Special-Six and the Big-Six have more Timken bearings than any car selling under $5,600 in America. The Light-Six more than any competitive car within $1,000 of its price.

Learn why 145,162 bought Studebakers in 1923

Studebakers hold the top place in the fine car field today.

In 1919, the public paid over $80,000,000 for 39,356 Studebaker cars.

In 1920, the public paid over $100,000,000 for 51,474 Studebaker cars, an increase of 31% over 1919.

In 1921, the public paid over $120,000,000 for 66,643 Studebaker cars, an increase of 29% over 1920.

In 1922, the public paid over $155,000,000 for 110,269 Studebaker cars, an increase of 66% over 1921.

In 1923, the public paid over $201,000,000 for 145,162 Studebaker cars, an increase of 32% over 1922.

In 1924, business has opened with Studebaker as never before.

Learn why all these buyers preferred Studebakers.

Our factories employ 1,200 inspectors, to make 30,000 inspections on all Studebakers cars. Few flaws, few mistakes can escape them. That, we believe, is the finest organization ever devoted to motor car building.

The price of quality

On some steel alloys for vital parts we pay 15% extra to get them exact.

Open cars have real leather upholstery. They cost $25 more per car than imitation leather.

Our closed cars have Chase Mohair upholstery. This is made from the soft fleece of Angora goats. And a Sedan requires from 15 to 18 yards.

Velour for this upholstery would save us up to $100 per car.

Note the finish of every detail. Mark the infinite care. They add 25% to labor cost on luxurious closed bodies.

Note the completeness of our larger closed cars. The nickel-plated bumpers, the extra disc wheels and cord tires, the steel trunk, the courtesy light, etc. Think what they would cost you, bought as extras.

Thus we have made the Studebaker the leader of quality cars. We have built a demand exceeding 145,000 cars per year.

Learn the results of these efforts, in fairness to yourself. Don't buy a car at $1,000 or over without knowing what we offer.

Compare the parts and details. Mark the advantages we offer—scores on scores. Our experience is that 95% of those who do that buy a Studebaker car.

LIGHT-SIX
5-Pass. 112" W. B. 40 H. P.

Touring	$ 995.00
Roadster (3-Pass.)	975.00
Coupe-Roadster (2-Pass.)	1195.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1395.00
Sedan	1485.00

SPECIAL-SIX
5-Pass. 119" W. B. 50 H. P.

Touring	$1350.00
Roadster (2-Pass.)	1325.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1895.00
Sedan	1985.00

BIG-SIX
7-Pass. 126" W. B. 60 H. P.

Touring	$1750.00
Speedster (5-Pass.)	1835.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	2495.00
Sedan	2685.00

(All prices f. o. b. factory. Terms to meet your convenience.)

MEXIA MOTOR CAR COMPANY
500 EAST COMMERCE ST. PHONE 213

The World's Largest Producer of Quality Automobiles

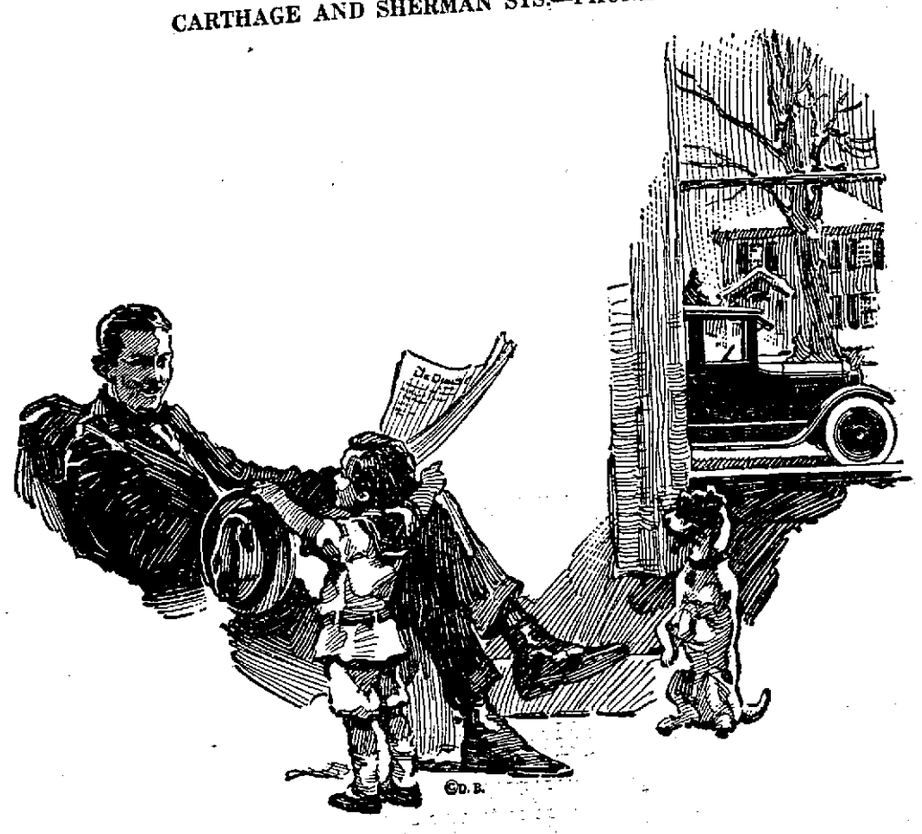
A LONG TIME INVESTMENT

Every Dodge Brothers Sedan body is steel built throughout—sills, pillars, panels, frames and all.

This all-steel design—exclusively a Dodge Brothers feature—possesses certain practical advantages which recommend it most emphatically to the closed car buyer.

It reduces cost, assures a structural precision which is particularly evident in the snug fit of doors and windows, and results in a staunchness of construction which guarantees to the owner a long time investment—and a long time satisfaction.

Jackson Brothers
CARTHAGE AND SHERMAN STS.—PHONE 29



Third Great National Campaign For Better Homes Is Planned

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3—The third great national campaign for Better Homes in America will be held this year earlier than ever before—during the week of May 11 to 18. This is the third year of this movement which originated from a thought expressed by the late President Harding in a speech delivered at Akron, Ohio, in 1921.

The central organization, which is completely divorced from all commercialism, has Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, as its president. Harvard University has granted leave of absence to Dr. James Ford, authority on housing and community organization, in order that he can conduct the nation wide demonstrations for the development of home life in America during 1924. Headquarters have been moved from New York to Washington, at 163 Pennsylvania Avenue.

The aims of Better Homes in America may be summed up briefly as follows: To show the advantages of thrift for home ownership, to overcome the shortage of homes in this country, estimated at 800,000, to strengthen home life and make it attractive, to assist and encourage home- makers—ninety-two per cent of the housewives of America do their own housework—to improve the home environment, thereby promoting the physical and moral development of the child, to stimulate sensible purchasing for home improvement, and to mobilize community pride for a common object—pride of home.

The late President Harding was heart and soul interested in this educational movement, publicly commending it in strong terms He wrote to Secretary Hoover that "not only is there the primary consideration on advanced material comfort but the soundness of our social system and stability of our country are greatly enhanced by the development of love for a home and the creation of a home that can be loved"

Mr. Hoover is authority for the statement that "A hundred years from now your descendants will still be reaping the harvest of your labor for Better Homes in Amberica."

The Better Homes campaiins were first organized in 1922, when hundreds of committees, scattered from coast to coast and from the Gulf of Mexico north beyond the Artic Circle in Alaska, enthusiastically took part. The first prize that year was awarded to New Haven, Connecticut. There the committee took a house of the $8,000 class as a model. The committee, backed by the cooperation of practically every philanthropic, civic and business organization of the city, also put before families of very limited means a powerful object lesson by equipping a model tenement in the heart of the city which could have been duplicated for $550.

Spokane, Washington, exhibited and demonstrated three model houses, representing a price range of from $4,500 to $12,000. One of the most interesting and instructing demonstrations of Better Homes in 1922 was at St. Helena Island, S. C. A plantation cabin was remodeled, furnished and equipped, the program being put in the hands of a group of colored men and women who carried it out splendidly Every article in the cabin was placed there with the object of demonstrating the need for it and its use, and to show that it was within the reach of the average industrious working family. Daily lessons were given to show how time and labor might be saved in running such a home.

Last year the premier award went to Port Huron, Michigan, where a house was financed, completely furnished, and demonstrated entirely by a group of students in the high school Gradually the work of the youngsters took hold of the community spirit of the entire city, every member of the community falling into line before Better Homes Week was over. Eight thousand people went through the house which had been planned, built, furnished, and demonstrated by the school boys and girls of Port Huron, On the last day of the demonstration of this model "better home" it was sold at public auction for exactly $300 more than it had cost to erect and completely furnish.

The demonstrations have been broad in their scope, and it is planned to have them broader this year and in succeeding years. One great aim of Better Homes in America is to impress upon those having in charge the education of children the need of teaching young girls home management, and the disbursement of household budgets.

The phenomenal success of the high school students of Port Huron last year completely won over the educational authorities there, who have voted to put a model house on the high school campus, for conducting courses in home management and economics These school authorities take the view that such education is of far greater and more lasting value than many of the academic and scientific courses prescribed for high school girls today. They know that for every girl who takes up chemistry for instance, as a life work, there are thousands upon thousands who devote their lives to the business of being wives and mothers

Those responsible for Better Homes in America are working toward the end of having the example set by the Port Huron high schools followed by every school in the country.

The importance of books, pictures and music is stressed, as well as the myriad details of physical construction and equipment, such as having the kitchen sink under a window, so that the steam goes out of the window instead of into the dish-washer's lungs Contests to determine the best two hundred books for a model home resulted in thousands of interesting lists, the Bible leading all other selections

AMERICAN TENNIS STAR TO PLAY IN PARIS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Molla Mallory, seven times American tennis champion, barred from the American Olympic team because she once played for Norway in the Olympics, will accept the invitation to play in Paris next summer for Norway, it was learned today.

Mrs. Mallory has not officially accepted the invitation extended to her by the Norwegian Olympic officials but she will do so as soon as she feels sure of her legal grounds.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 2.—An average of 15 children a day was the birth record set here during January, reports show. A total of 465 infants saw the light of day in the first month of the year in Dallas. January and February are always banner birth months, officials say.

Dope Addict Poses As Fortune Teller

A man who gave his name as W. B. Harrison was arrested here Friday afternoon by local officers charged with fortune-telling. According to the officers it later developed that he was a "dope" addict and that he had several hypodermic needles on his person. On a search of the room in which he was staying, the officers stated that some of the "dope" was discovered in solution.

According to the man's statement his home is at Greenville and he had been in the city only five days previous to his arrest. He said that during that time he had given only 8 readings and that he had not made his board at that. He also said that he was sick and wanted to go home, as he felt that that was the place for him.

His arrest followed a complaint filed by a lady who had gone to him for a reading. It is said that he told the lady that she would receive a message requiring her to make a long journey, and as she has a son in another state who is said to be quite ill she became very uneasy concerning his condition and took her misgivings to the justice court. One of the officers immediately took off his ensignia of office and visited the room of the supposed fortune-teller under the ruse of having his own future presented to him and brought the accused person back with him.

On the inability of the prisoner to give bond he was placed in the city jail to await trial.

OTTAWA, Feb. 1.—Professor John Sharp saw a chicken thief prowling about his barn early today. Garbed in his night gown and armed with a lantern he gave chase. Up into the hay-mow of the barn ran the thief, the professor with his lantern in pursuit. Finally Sharp got close enough to hurl his lantern at the intruder. The hay caught fire, burning the barn, causing a $10,000 loss—and the thief escaped.

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Methodists In Texas University Many

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2.—The University of Texas Methodist church is now considering plans for a new Bible Chair which will be built by September, 1924, and will take care of the large number of students who are enrolled in Bible courses in the Wesley Bible Chair, according to Ernest C. Webb, director of Bible courses. A sum of $8,000 has already been collected and $30,000 has been subscribed.

There are 109 students in the classes for the winter term, and it is now impossible for the director to have his usual number of classes, because there is no room which will accommodate them. A new section has been formed, but the classes are still too large, it is stated.

Final plans for the building have not been definitely accepted, but it is certain that there will be a large auditorium on the top floor where 200 or 300 students can be accommodated on Sunday. This auditorium will also be used for Sunday School and for entertainments. The ground floor will have class rooms for the Bible students, a library, cloak rooms and an office for the director.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper will be administered at the close of the 11 o'clock service.

The new pipe organ will be ready for use next Friday and at 7:30 that evening Miss of Dallas will give a recital to which the public is most cordially invited.

The Sunday school is worthy of your attention and time. Why be ignorant of the Bible when you have such a splendid opportunity to study its truths.

What is your attitude toward the Woman's Missionary Society?

What interests have you in the Intermediate League?

Dose the Gospel of John bring you a message on Wednesday night? It will if you attend the prayer meeting

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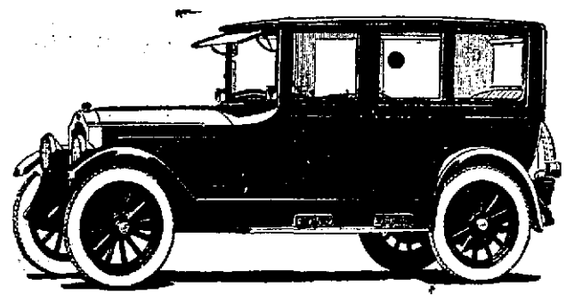
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Mexia Has First Mid Year Class

OREE STEPHENS, (Junior)

For the first time in its history the Mexia High School has a class beginning the regular first year work in the middle of the year. This is decidedly a step forward in school management. Each year in the past it has been a puzzle for the school officials to know just how to arrange for the class that finishes grammar school at mid-term, for there have been no half grades in high school. Various plans have been tried but none has been very satisfactory. Most of the time students have spent their latter half of the term in work for which they got no credit.

The advantages of the new plan are obvious. Not only will students be obliged to spend time on courses which give no credit, but also those who fail in their work will be given an opportunity to take the course over immediately. Under this plan beginning four years from now, Mexia will have a class graduating at mid-term.

One Minute Sermon

By E. H. HUDSON

Subject: Plain Living and High Thinking.

Text: "Be not anxious, saying what shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewithal shall we be clothed? But seek first the Kingdom of God."

This is a "Jazz Age" in other spheres than the dance hall.

Living is luxurious and complex.

Nothing is simple any more—neither thoughts, nor launguage, nor business, nor pleasure, nor living, nor dying.

Our material needs and wants are multiplied.

With plenty at hand we want more.

Instead of the old-fashioned pound cake and lady cake and jelly cake, we follow complicated recipes of woman's magazines and cat "messes" that satisfy our vanity and ruin our stomachs.

The old wood stove has given place to the Fireless Cooker with its mummied, pallid dishes.

Our half-caret diamond is given to the kid and we sport a three-caret sparkler.

The rabbit skin coat goes to the cook while we array ourselves in "Hudson Seal."

Increased machinery and inventions have multiplied competition and strikes.

Simple, harmless amusements have been set aside for midnight revels that ruin our health and morals.

Increased courts and laws make delays and complicate trails on technicalities, hindering rather than promoting justice.

Increased wealth and comforts have made men selfish and quarrelsome.

We are like discontented, spoiled children, fighting, not for bread, but for the superfluous.

It is not hunger but egotism and vanity that drive men to lawless ambition and avarice.

We need to return to Plain Living and High Thinking.

Plain Living is essential to High Thinking.

Strenuous thinking never comes from pampered living.

The vulgarities of luxury are not conducive to worthy thinking.

Franklin, Lincoln, Edison, Steinmetz lived simple lives and thought high thoughts.

Social competition destroys simple living.

Class is vying with class, church with church and party with party for power and precedence. We are all trying to "keep up with Betty" and go her one better. We want a diamond a little bigger, a dress a little shorter, an auto a little shiner and a house a little finer than "Bett's."

Plain Living and High Thinking will cure many of our ills and remove many of our perils.

Simplicity of private life will give stronger public cohesion.

Simplicity is a great magician; it softens asperities, bridges chasms, draws together hands and hearts. It understands others, esteems others, loves others, thinks good thoughts of others.

Simplicity is the cement binding together the life of individuals, churches, communities and nations.

"What doth the Lord require of thee
But to Love Mercy, Deal Justly and
Walk Humbly?"
"O Friend, I know not which way I
must look
For comfort, being as I am, opprest
To think that now our life is only
drest
For SHOW; mean handiwork of
craftsman, cook
Or groom; we must run glittering like
a brook
In the open sunshine; or we are unblest.
The wealthiest man among us is the
best;
No grandeur now in nature or in
book
Delights us—Rapine, Avarice, Expense
This is idolatry and these we adore,
PLAIN LIVING AND HIGH THINKING ARE NO MORE;
The homely beauty of the good old
cause
Is gone—our peace, our simple
innocence,
And pure religion, breathing household laws."

A CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to the good people of the Point Enterprise community for their kindness and many favors we have received in the illness of our beloved family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bradshaw.

EASTERN STAR NOTICE

The Eastern Star will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Masonic Hall, Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The business session will be followed by a reception and all members are urged to be present and on time.

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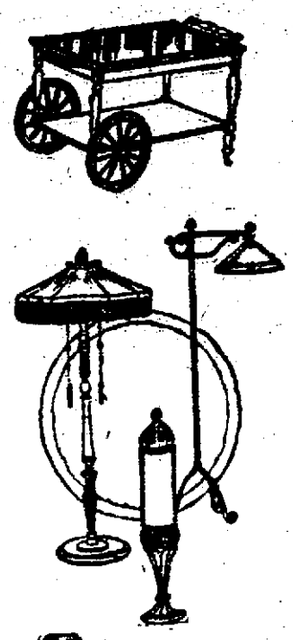
Worshipand preaching at 11:00. Subject for the sermon: "The Power of God's Word."

Christian Endeavor at 6:30.

Preaching service at 7:30. The subject for the evening message will be: "The whole duty of man." In presenting this subject, Solomon will appear on the stage as a great actor, and in five acts give us the lesson and the conclusion relative to the whole duty of man. Hear this message. Wednesday night is "Church Night." Bible study from 7:15 to 8:00. Choir practice following the Bible study period.

G. T. Reaves, pastor.



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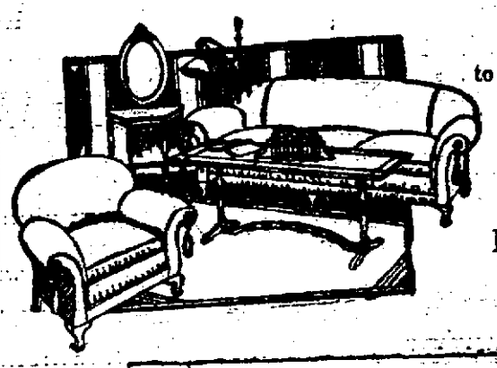

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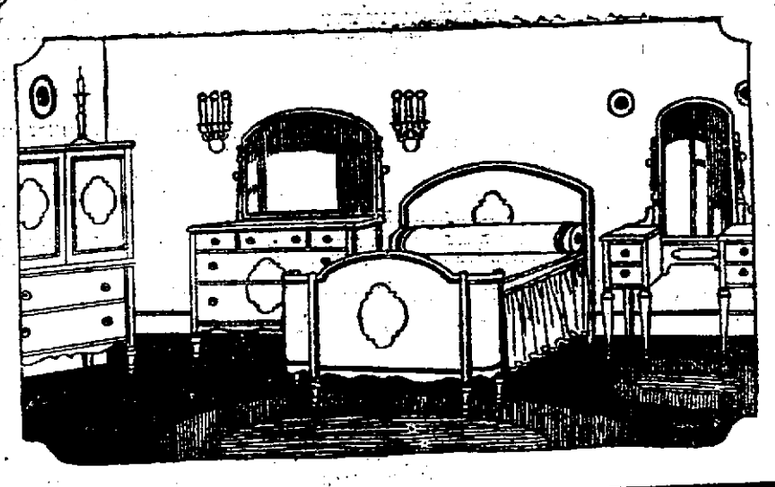

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District Court's Decision Has No Effect on Automobile Taxes Until Higher Courts Speak Out

The decision of the 77th district court of Limestone county pertaining to the new highway law, in which the court declared the new measure unconstitutional, does not effect the payments made for automobile registration, according to county attorney Scott Reed, who represented the commissioners court in the injunction suit heard and granted last Tuesday

He states that it is his understanding that the matter will not be definitely settled until the higher courts give their opinion, following the appeal made from the decision of the district court.

Since the question is yet pending he points out the new law is yet considered effective and registration payments are made on that basis

Scott Reed Announces For Second Term as Limestone County Attorney

Scott Reed, county attorney of Limestone County, was in Mexia Friday, at which time, he announced that he was a candidate for re-election to the office which he now holds His name has been added to the growing list of candidates now seeking favor at the hands of the voters of Limestone County

Mr. Reed has been an aggressive and vigorous county attorney and during his past two years of service the county has risen to a high place among the orderly sections of the country, where men respect the law rather than merely fear it. His term has been so successful and so satisfactory to the people that he is justified in asking that he be extended the characteristic policies of democrats to re-elect a good officer to his second term.

He is a Limestone county product and his fellow citizens have been glad to honor one of their native sons. A veteran in times of war, he has no less been a splendid soldier in times of peace.

While in the office of County Attorney, he hss given himself over seriously to the people's business in connection with that office. He has been content with serving the public diligently, faithfully and unafraid.

This same attention to detail and to every phase of the county attorney duties, he is certain to carry into the office next term

Pleasing in personality, easy to meet and always disposed to transact business in a most respectful manner a forceful speaker, yet in the prime of young manhood, and, with a reputation for integrity of character and upright, gentlemanly conduct, in private as well as in public life, Limestone county is practically certain to grasp the opportunity to secure his services another two years term.

Scout News

Growing? Yes by leaps and bounds.

Troop No. 1 met Friday night in the basement of the Baptist church, with Scoutmaster Rochelle in charge. After a very enthusiastic meeting, a number of the scouts passed the Tenderfoot test, the test that is necessary before a boy may become a regular scout.

Troop No. 2 met in the basement of the Methodist church, with an attendance of thirty-four. Mr. Willets, Scountmaster was right on the job, filling the boys with peptorism, giving them some very instructive work. Mr. Willets took Troop No. 2 out Saturday afternoon for a hike, giving them the first real outing since his troop was organized.

Troop No. 3 met Friday night in the basement of the Christian church, with Scout master Dale and Assistant Scoutmaster Dr. Porter in charge. Mr. Dale reports a splendid meeting, with a full attendance present.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Dale took his troup out for a real hike, which the boys enjoyed to the fullest.

Troop No. 4 met in the basement of the Baptist church, Scoutmaster Booker being out of the city, J. P. Dunaway met with Troop No. 4, representing Mr. Booker. Scoutmaster Rochelle tested out a few of troop No. 4 for the Tenderfoot test, a number of the boys passing.

Mr. Willets will organize a new troop within the next few days to care for the overflow of boys, the meeting place for the new troop will be announced later, this will make five troops to date, which proves conclusively that the boys are ready for the movement.

J. P. Dunaway invited Troops No. 1 and four to a Weiner roast which took place Saturday night at the Reunion Grounds, the boys hiked out Saturday afternoon under the direction of Assistant Scoutmaster Harper, Mr. Dunaway joining them later with the Weiners and the fixings. Did the boys enjoy it? You bet! They were good and hungry, and the twenty pounds of Weiners evaported like unto ice in July.

Scoutmaster Rochelle announced to his troop Friday that he would start next week a drill at Hughes Park and you may watch this drill with interest as well as the boys, this is a great boy builder, watch 'em grow.

Scouting is the process of making real men out of boys, by a real program which works.

Scouting is a happy, wholesome, worth-while, outdoor school.

Scouting is a huge, splendidly organized game, with all the fine zest of competition, the finer zest of cooperation, the keen testing of mind and muscle, the essential good sportsmanship of a football game. Only it is a constructive game, a progressive game. It gets somewhere.

Scouting is more than a game. It teaches signaling and first aid and fire fighting and outdoor cookry and a host of other useful and important things. It teaches also selfreliance and helpfulness, courage and courtesy loyalty and reverence, patriotism and honor, and other kindred sualities of good repute.

Scouting is non-sectarian, though its ideals are in accord with those of the modern church and it is based upon a pledge allegiance to the service of God, the brotherhood of man.

Scouting is not organized for war service, nor yet exclusively for peace service. It is organized for SERVICE all service, any service, high or humble, big or little, just service.

Incidentally it inculcates the soldier virtues of discipline, hardiness, courage, obedience and patriotism, a patriotism which holds itself ready to serve its country in whatever form the need and the call may come. Preparedness of this kind is the scout platform.

Scouting is democratic. It aims not to run every boy into one groove, but to help each to develop into the fullest manhood of which he is capable, and individual in the highest sense of the word, with recognized responsibility to himself and society.

Scouting is democratic also in that it knows no bounds of class, creed, or race. It speaks the universal language of world boyhood. It is the great melting pot of American youth.

The end and aim of Scouting is good citizenship, to make men physically strong, mentally awake, morally straight."

This is what Scouting is and what Scouting means. Is it not a cause worth promoting, working for with all your might, Scoutmsaters now and to be, especially in this vrucial hour of our nation's history?

Mothers Ask That Pastors Observe Child Welfare Day

The Mothers Council met in regular session Wednesday at the Library, Mrs. White, presiding.

The attendance was good, which was very gratifying to the president The reports from each school proved very interesting, showing that each president of the Parent-Teachers Associations is working enthusiastically for the good of all the schools. As February 17 is Child Welfare Day a motion carried that we ask our pastors to observe this day, as it comes on Sunday. Committees were appointed to consult with them about this.—Reporter.

LOCAL STUDENTS MAY COMPETE FOR $150 PRIZE

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2—Studetns of the high schools of Limestone county are given the opportunity to compete for $150 in prizes offered by C. M. Caldwell, regent of the University of Texas, and by the Dallas News, for the best essays written on local history. Mr. Caldwell has contributed $100 of the fund, and the Dallas News, $50. The most notable local history essay written in the state-wide local history contest will be awarded $40, and a large number of smaller monetary awards will be given to other successful contestants. All manuscripts must be submitted before Many 1, according to Prof, W. P. Webb, of the University of Texas, history department, who is in charge of the contest. Further details will be furnished by him to all who request them.

"Every community of Texas, it matters not how small or how large it may be, has a local, a unique, and absorbing history, most interesting," said Professor Webb, who is the originator of the local history prize offer. "Every high school student of the state should take pride in recording the history of his own community will bring to light unpublished bits of history, so interesting and delightful, that the research student will feel more than repaid for his efforts. For each competitor, there is also the possibility of winning one of the prizes and the honor of having his article published."

Professor Webb's idea of local history follows:

"Local history is the history which may be found in your own community It is the history of your church, your town, your court house, or some interesting person. The story of an Indian fight that occurred near your home is local history, as is the account of a drouth, of a flood, or a fire Local history is not the story of important men or of great events. It is likely to be the story of the unimportant. In detail, it may be extremely interesting; in the aggregate, it is of great importance. From both points of view, it will be worth having. All essays, then should treat of local subjects, that are not too widely known."

Tax Payments In Mexia Are Large

J. D. Arrington, tax collector for the Mexia School District, states that the records show at the close of business January 31st, 1924, that that office had received approximately $116,000 for the school fund up to that time. He also added that this was about 90 per cent of the school taxes and is a far better percentage than was collected on the same date in 1923. For the entire previuos year, the office received only about $90,000.

R. D. Morgan states that about 85 per cent of all city taxes have been paid.

1180 poll taxes were paid in Mexia. This is from the city alone and indicates that between 1500 and 1600 is the voting power of the Mexia box alone.

Electrical horsepower used in manufacturing in the United States increased from 8,835,970 in 1914 to more than 20,000,000 in 1923.

Motor car owners of the United States paid out $294,000,000 in insurance premiums on their cars in 1923.

There are more than 700 independent telephone companies in Texas

Prisoner Jailed For Drunkenness Breaks Out Wednesday Night

Another prisoner broke out of the city jail Wednesday night. He was placed in the jail for drunkenness and the officers stated that they had to resort to force to bring him in. They were successful in jailing him but sometime during the night he made a get-away carrying off the lock of the door.

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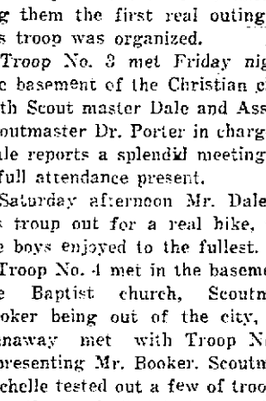

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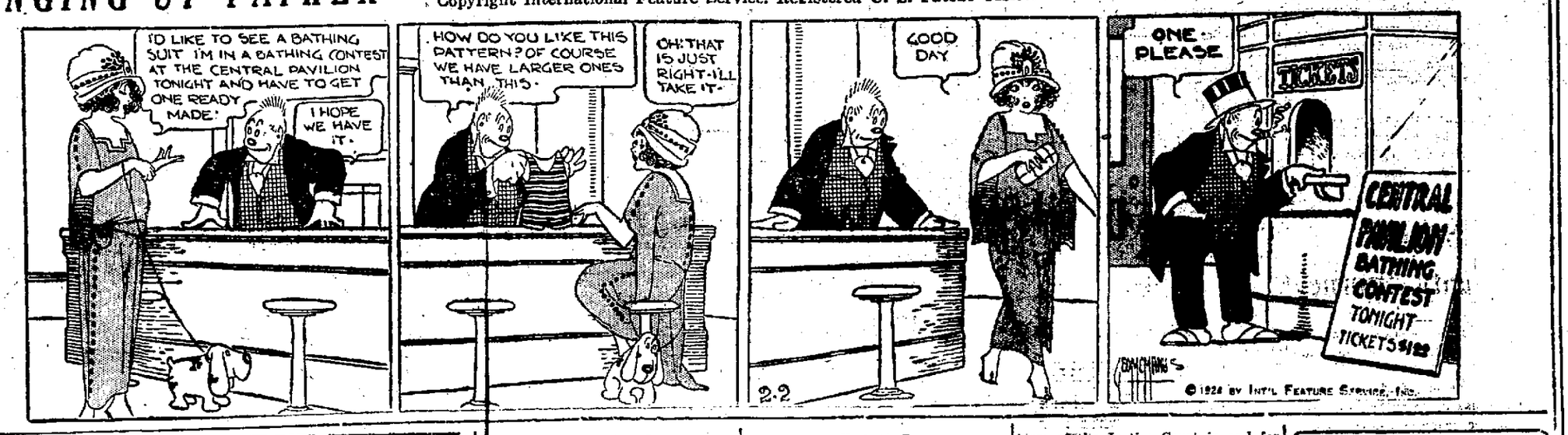
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DALLAS, Texas, [illegible] 2.—Dallas led all other cities in assessed by nearly $2,000,000 in building last year, according to figures piled by S. W. Strauss Company here.

Only one other Sorn city exceeded Dallas' total—anta.

Figures for Texases were:

Dallas, $20,988,319; Houston, $19,696,831; Ft. Worth, $5,264; San Antonio, $8,053,246; Paso, $2,101,790; Galveston, $89,876; and Wichita Falls, $1,74[illegible].

Atlanta's total w.27,094,198.

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Mme. Curie, discoverer of radium, has been living in poverty in Paris. She has devoted every[illegible]ance she possessed to scientific research. The French parliament granted her a state pension of $22[illegible]year.

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Mr. and Mrs. W Rogers are the proud parents a fine boy which arrived early[illegible]esday morning. The baby weighing [illegible] pounds.

Dempsey And Harry Wills Can't Fight

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—In the course of tracking down mysterious millionaires who are bidding wild for a heavyweight contest between Harry Wills and Luis Firpo, some very interesting facts concerning the entire heavyweight situation have been learned from a source that is absolutely authentic and reliable.

These facts are:

That Jack Dempsey and Harry Wills positively can not fight this year and it is doubtful that they ever will be allowed to fight in this country.

That Tex Rickard will promote the Wills-Firpo fight—if they fight.

That Rickard will meet the bid of any rival promoter and that he will have the advantage in his favor because of his reputation.

That there is only one State in the country that is willing to listen to a mixed bout and that this State will sanction a Wills-Firpo bout only after some clever political manipulation.

That New York State positively will not grant permission for a Dempsey-Will or a Firpo-Wills fight.

That the authorities are willing to sanction a Dempsey-Gibbons or a Dempsey-Firpo fight but they will not permit Dempsey to fight more than twice and probably not more than once this summer.

While positive information was not secured, it was understood that Connecticut is the only State that will even listen to a proposal for a mixed heavyweight fight and that Pennsylvania and New York will never permit one.

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A survey in St. Louis shows that 58 per cent of the traffic entering the business district during the day comprised automobiles and 10 per cent comprised street cars. But street cars, carried 67 per cent of the people to the business district while only 25 per cent moved in automobiles.

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BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, Feb. 2.—More than 110,000 pounds of pecans have been shipped from Breckenridge this season, according to officials of the J. T. Webster Warehouse here.

The pecans are shipped to eastern markets principally. The average price is about eleven cents a pound. One more shipment is expected to be made before the winter is over.

The pecans constitute one of the chief shipping products of this section.

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COULDN'T SEE HER OWN FATE

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 2.—Tho Madame Mummy was a fortune teller she admitted in court here that she couldn't foretell how her trial on vagrancy charges would come out.

So after meditating a bit Judge Campbell called into play his own occult powers and said she was not guilty.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be holden in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 328 wherein A. La Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars ($40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars ($20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County.

Issued this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

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INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6.000 for the year 1923.

CANDIDATES

Announcements

1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

The following candidates for the offices named submit their names subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held in Limestone county on the 26th day of July, 1924:

For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN

For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.

For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD

For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.

For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS. (re-election.)

For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.

For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)

For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)

County Attorney—
SCOTT REED (re-election, second term.)

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MEXIA BLACK CAT TEAMS WIN TWO GAMES FRIDAY

By CY TOBB

The Mexia Hi Black Cat Cagers, both girls and boys, won a game each Friday on the High School court. This makes the total for the girls of two games lost and an equal number won. The boys have played six games and stand on the .500 per cent mark.

Friday afternoon the Wortham Hi sextet journeyed down to the Limestone metropolis and were handed a nice little 31 to 12 defeat by the wearers of the Crimson and the Black. The girls team under the coaching of Miss Anne V. Earle, physical director for the High school, is comparatively small in stature but have an eye for the goal and are capable of shooting goals at remarkable angles and degrees. Clara Belle Bybee and Lilla Taylor showed up well for the Me-Hi girls at forwards while Ruby Kenned played an exceptionally good game at center. The Wortham girls threatened to make the game very interesting for the locals as at the end of the first quarter the score was tied at 8 all. But they fell down on the threat as they were not accustomed to the court and the local basket tossers marched on.

The boys team, unable to secure a game with either Mart, Marlin or Corsicana, played the fast Delia quintet on the high school court Friday night at 7:45. They defeated the Delia basket tossers by a score of 17 to 10.

This game was hotly contested from the first whistle until the last. The Delia boys showed better team work at times than the Black Cat cagers but were not accustomed to the indoor court and practically all of their shots, after pretty passing, went wild The game was rather rough at times but no members of either team reveived any serious injury. Treadway, right forward for the Black Cats, received a small gash over the eye when he hit the floor during the early part of the game. The Delia boys were a little smaller than the locals but had a faster team.

Simmons, a new player from Temple showed up excellently in the game and was high point man for the locals. He shot three field goals. He was closely followed by Lucas who had two field goals and one free goal. Treadway shot two field goals and Cox one.

J. K. Hughes Gives Interesting Talk To The Nairators Club

By DOYLE PERKINSON
(Junior)

The Nairators Club met in regular session Thursday, Jan. 30 at 3:00 o'clock. After a brief business session during which they had a report from the initiation committee stating that the initiation of new members would take place the following Thursday afternoon in the gymnasium. A report from the grounds committee by whom they were instructed to locate a place where cinders were available; and a discussion of the plans for the program to be given by this club Feb. 29. Mr. J. K. Hughes then entertaining them with a very practical and intellectual address.

Mr. Hughes selected for his subject "The Importance of Establishing a Line of Credit." Mr. Hughes stated that credit did not mean borrowing money on ampley security but upon bankers confidence in you. He brought out the fact that it was this same line of credit which should be established with sweetheart and wife, as well as the banker, employer, and business associates. "This particular line of credit," said Mr. Hughes, "with wife and sweetheart, also is established, by inspiring confidence because of ones personal reliability."

All of these points are skillfully illustrated by examples from his own personal experiences and those of his associates. Throughout all of his talk the members gave Mr. Hughes their undivided attention. As a result of his talk there was a feeling established among the boys that they could take these principles and apply them to their own life. The club greatly appreciated Mr. Hughes' address and in the near future intend to have other business men to appear before them.

Manual Training

MANDELL CLINE, (Junior)

The Mexia Public Library wanted a magazine rack made. They had intended to hire a man to do the work, but for some reason he was unable to undertake it. So the Manual Training boys agreed to make the article. When finished it will be five feet high and about six feet long. There will be six racks for magazines which are to stand with heads up first.

This is only one out of many things being constructed in the Manual Training classes. Before the year is out several boys expect to have built some expensive chests and numerous other articles of value. With modern machinrey that they have, the schoolboys can do as pretty work as is seen in the furniture stores.

LOVE McDONALD. (Senior)

The faculty and student body were greatly pleased this week when it was announced that several boxes of new books had arrived for the library. There were several additions to the chemistry shelves and to the fiction shelves and a complete set of Encyclopaedia Britannica. These last are the very handsome gift of the graduating class of 1923, and represent the value of nearly two hundred dollars.

Mr. Lee Steele of Ardmore, Oklahoma arrived here last Saturday to become a member of the High School faculty. Mr. Steele assumed his duties on Monday morning as teacher of the freshman class that has just come to High School. Mr. Steele was formerly a teacher in the Berwyn High School. He is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma at Norman. He says that he finds teaching in Mexia a pleasure. We extend to him a hearty welcome, hoping that he will continue to find his stay here pleasant

A handsome Grand piano now adorns the platform of the auditorium at High School. The piano is not the property of the school, having been loaned somewhat in the sense of trial by the music house in Teague of which Mr. Dooley is representative. The students enjoyed its use at this week's assembly and they would be happy to have it installed as a permanent fixture.

Intra-mural basket ball games are the center of interest at present. The Senior boys initiated the movement by challenging the Juniors. The Juniors accepted the challenge, and the game resulted in a 30-4 score in favor of the underclassmen. The successful team will play the winner in the Freshman-Sophomore contest.

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Sermon, "The Revolution of Jesus."
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Session Meeting 3:00 p. m.
Senior Endeavor 6:15 p. m.
Evening Service 7:15 p. m.
Duet, "The Service of Jesus"—Huston, sung by Mrs. Allan L. Hatch, Rev. Victor K. Aubrey.
Sermon, "The Revival We Need."
Monday 3:30 p. m., Missionary Society.
Tuesday 7:30 p. m., Meeting of Board of Deacons.
Wednesday 7:15 p. m., Church night.
Wednesday 8:00 p. m., Choir Practice.

MIRIAM BASS, (Senior)

The Senior Class met Monday after noon to choose the class flower and motto. After quite a discussion the Dorothy Perkins rose was decided on as the flower. The motto chosen is: The ropes that we pull today will ring the bells of tomorrow." The most important matter of business was left to the last,—Senior Privileges! The president appointed a committee to draw up a list of privileges which the Seniors would like to have granted.

On Wednesday morning Mr. Andrews called a meeting of the Seniors. After a talk which was very fitting for the occasion, he announced that the following privileges would be granted to the fourth year class: The Seniors are to have their examinations a week earlier than the other classes. They will be granted exemption, provided they have an average of 90 per cent and a reasonable attendance. Seniors are to have a class day in which they will have charge of the Assembly program, being given liberty the remainder of the day.

The announcements were received with enthusiasm by the Seniors who have been looking forward to them for some time.

Fire Chief Pittman inspected fire drill Thursday. He expressed himself as being pleased with general situation, stating that the building was practically fire-proof, that the conditions of order and cleanliness about the premises lessened any possible fire-hazard, and that the fire-drill itself was very creditable.

LONGVIEW, Texas, Feb. 2.—Two women and a baby had an exciting experience here when the infant fell out of an automobile driven by its mother, Mrs. Nellie Anthony. The mother abandoned the wheel and jumped from the machine to rescue her child. An aunt of the infant likewise leaped from the care. All three rolled along the pavement barely escaping being struck by another machine. Regaining the baby and their feet, the mother and the aunt ran after the automobile, jumped in it and drove on, unhurt.

Miss Johnnie Moore was a visitor to the city from Ranger Thursday.

Local News

Mrs. M. Maunder of St. Louis was a Thursday visitor to the city.

G. C. Calhoun of Corsicana was here Friday.

J. S. Cone of Sherman was in the city Friday.

Miss Hazel Miles of Corsicana was a Friday visitor to the city.

R. D. Abel of Waco was here on Thursday.

J. P. B. Moore, Jr., of Corsicana was a Thursday visitor to the city.

C. N. Atkins was here Thursday from Cisco.

C. L. Smith of Waco was here Thursday.

Mrs. L. Riddle and sister were here Thursday from Ft. Worth.

J. L. Montgomery was here Thursday from Waco.

Bert Moore of Ranger was in the city Thursday.

Mrs. A. B. Haywood of Corsicana was in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Smith were in the city Thursday from Dallas.

P. F. Wallace of Jacksonville was here Thursday.

V. A. Neath was here Thursday from Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hopson were here Friday from Waco.

J. C. Looney of Corsicana was here Friday.

R. D. Abel of Waco was here Friday.

Mrs. T. C. Bourke of Dallas was a visitor to Mexia Friday.

Fletcher Adair of Groesbeck was a Mexia visitor last Thursday.

John I. McElroy joined the sick list the past week.

Claude King has also been confined to his home with a touch of the prevailing "flue."

County Attorney Scott Reed was a Mexia visitor Friday.

New York City has more telephones than Great Britain and Chicago has a larger number than France.

Too Late to Classify

FOR RENT—Three room furnished apartment. Modern conveniences, close in. 411 East Main. 3I1

LOST—White and brown spotted bull pup. Ears trimmed and bob tail. About 4 months old. Return to 58 North Red River and receive reward. 3I2

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WOODROW WILSON IS DEAD

News Of Death Reaches Mexia First Over Radio

By The United Press.

News of the death of Woodrow Wilson, wartime president of the United States, was received in Mexia first over radio. The message came that he had passed peacefully away at 10:15, Washington time, which message was delivered to hundreds while assembled at the various Sunday schools of the city.

The news of death created a profound shock and a universal sorrow, despite the fact that it was only the expected that had happened.

Woodrow Wilson

(By United Press)

The death of Woodrow Wilson removes the dominant world figure of the decade from 1910 to 1920. Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt will probably go into history as the leading actors on history's stage during the generation in which they were the culmination.

Only the mature judgment of history can assign Wilson his certain place. He lived and worked and ruled in the years that produced Kaiser Wilhelm, Lloyd George, Clemenceau, Kitchener and other man who occupied whole chapters in world history. He reached the world's summit of applause during the Paris peace conference and his ebb, as broken in body and fame, but not in spirit, he rode down Pennsylvania avenue thru the sunshine of March 4, 1921, away from the White House forever.

Born of stern, unbending Scotch Presbyterian stock, Wilson had much of the cold austerity of Scotland's craigs. To him there were only two classes of men—those for him and those against him. He saw no middle ground. Few outside of his immediate circle loved him, and he loved few. Millions admired him for his admitted strength or vision, idealism and indomitable courage. Millions hated him for his intolerance to views other than his own and for the ruthlessness with which he swept aside opposition. His was a lonely, self-controlled personality.

Yet, with body broken and old age creeping fast upon him, his closest friends say he mourned that he could not awaken love in the hearts of the people for whom he felt he had done so much; for whom he had advanced his ideals and for whom he felt he had suffered something akin to martyrdom.

Desired Love

Wilson's political death softened the animosities of ruthless politics and the passing of the ex-President is today mourned by a nation that always had the highest respect for his deep learning, diligent search after truth and unswerving devotion to what he believed were the world's ideals and which he adopted as his own.

In a measure, Wilson was a self-made man. His parentage was sturdy, but poor. His father was a Scotch-Irish Presbyterian minister; his mother, Janet Woodrow, the descendant of a family of Scotch Presbyterian ministers noted for their aggressiveness.

Thomas Woodrow Wilson was born Dec. 28, 1856 in Staunton, Va., where his father was pastor. Two years later the family moved to Augusta, Ga., where Wilson spent most of his childhood. He was a normal boy, played baseball on the corner lot, and refused to learn the alphabet until he was nine years old. His early tutors were his father and mother.

At seventeen Wilson began his scholastic career at Davidson College, and in 1875 he entered Princeton University. Here he seems to have moulded those peculiar traits of personality that afterwards set him apart as an individual, as President of Princeton University, Governor of New Jersey and President of the United States.

Wilson's urge to self-expression first took a literary bent. While a student at Princeton, and later while attending the University of Virginia law school, he wrote various pamphlets and articles, mostly devoted to political and humanitarian subjects. Vague idealism combined with an amazing grasp of his subject mark his early writings. Perhaps the best known of his more mature works is a "History of the American People," and "The New Freedom". The latter book is regarded by critics as a masterly presentation of liberal theories of government and economics.

Completing the law course at Virginia, Wilson hung out his shingle in Atlanta, Ga., but clients did not flock to the young attorney, and in 1883 he abandoned the bar and took up a course of special studies at John Hopkins University. Here he met James Bryce, then Ambassador from Great Britain, and collaborated with Bryce on his great work on the "American Commonwealth." Undoubtedly Wilson was greatly influenced by the scholarly and Utopian Englishman.

In 1885, he married Helen Louise Axson of Savannah, Ga., the mother of his three daughters, Margaret, Jessie and Eleanor.

Wilson began his teaching career as professor of history and political economy at Bryn Mawr, which chair he filled for two years, going in 1888 to Wesleyan University for a one year stay as professor in the same subjects.

Went to Princeton

Back at Princeton in 1890, as professor of jurisprudence and politics Wilson lectured to crowded classrooms, and in 1892 he was elected President of Princeton University.

Princeton at that time was the home of a large number of clubs composed entirely of the sons of rich men, creating a so-called aristocracy abhorrent to the new president's broad democratic views. After a stiff tilt with entrenched privilege as represented by the gilded student youths Wilson gained a partial victory, but was never able to liberalize Old Nassau to his liking.

Partly as a result of this fight, which developed into conflict between Wilson and the board of trustees, Wilson resigned the presidency of Princeton and accepted the democratic nomination for Governor of New Jersey.

As Executive of New Jersey from 1911 till he was nominated for President by the Democratic national convention, Baltimore, July 2, 1912, Wilson amply demonstrated the vigor and independence of his political aspirations, and in some measure manifested the personal aloofness that characterized his later career.

Woodrow Wilson took the oath of office as President on March 4, 1913, after one of the most sweeping triumps ever known in Presidential elections. Factional war in the Republican Party gave him an overwhelming majority of electoral votes and his party had a majority of five in the Senate and held more than two-thirds of the seats in the lower house.

In March, 1915, Wilson authorized mobilization of troops on the border to deal with Villa, the Mexican insurgent.

Mr. Wilson's first wife died Aug. 6, 1914.

In the fall of 1915 the engagement of the President to Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt, of Washington, daughter of William H. Bolling, a prominent Virginia lawyer, was announced.

They were married in Washington on Dec. 18, 1915. This was the third Wilson wedding in the White House two of the President's daughters having been married there. Miss Jessie Wilson became the bride of Francis Bowes Sayre on Nov. 25, 1913. Miss Eleanor Wilson was married to William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury in May, 1914.

In the meantime Wilson's notes of warning were unHeeded by Germany

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The End Came Without Pain And Peacefully Dr. Grayson Announces

Mrs. Wilson With Fortitude Bears Up Under Burden of Heavy Sorrow.

FAMILY INFORMED OF DEATH AT 11:15.

News of End Spreads Like Wildfire Throughout Washington and the World; Burial Arrangements Pend.

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Woodrow Wilson, two terms President of the United States and as such Commander in Chief of the Armies of America in the late war, died at 11:15 Sunday morning, February the 3rd.

Death ended in a sleep which began late Saturday afternoon and which late Saturday night was merged into unconsciousness.

The end came peacefully and without pain.

Mrs. Wilson, his wife, and Dr. Grayson, his physician were at his bedside when he drew his last earthly breath, when the last drop of sand in his hour glass gently trickled out and his death was known.

Watchers who had hovered about the Wilson home all through the night, remained silently and solemnly through the gray dawn of the morning, and who were expecting any hour to hear of the seemingly inevitable were still waiting at 11:15 augmented by greater numbers, when death was announced.

The world was apprised of his sinking condition all through the watch hours through hourly bulletins posted by the physician.

Early Sunday morning, Dr. Grayson expressed himself as believing that Mr. Wilson had closed his eyes, in what he thought would prove to be his last last long sleep.

Mrs. Wilson, prepared by this frank statement and by previous advices from the physicians who had attended him, bore up with fortitude and bravery, when death came.

Dr. Grayson next announced that: "Mr. Wilson died at 11:15. His heart beat became feebler and feebler until finally the heart muscles became so fatigued that they refused to act any longer. The end came peacefully. The remote cause of his death was due to ill health which began four years ago, namely, 'Arterio-sclerosis' with 'hemitlegia'. The immediate cause of his death followed a digestive disturbance which began early last week but which did not reach an acute stage until early on the morning of February the first."

(Signed) "Cary T. Grayson."

With tears in his eyes, Dr. Grayson came from the Wilson home with a look which plainly told what had happened to the crowd of newspaper men who had been waiting all night and morning, eager for every bit of information they could get regarding his condition. He was so deeply grieved and touched that he could hardly make the announcement.

Word of his death was sent to Mr. Wilson's brother, Joseph Wilson, of Baltimore; to his daughter, Mrs. Francis Sayre, who is with her husband in Siam, and to Mrs. William G. McAdoo, who with Mr. McAdoo was speeding to his bedside from the Pacific coast.

A few minutes after death came, the news sped like wild fire throughout Washington and was broadcasted throughout the nation and cabled to foreign lands. The group of watchers, who had stood silently, solemnly and with bowed heads, began to disperse, while additional hundreds began to assemble near the home of the deceased former President, and tearfully and prayerfully paid their devoted respects to the one whom the entire world mourns.

It is understood that burial arrangements pend the arrival of all the members of the immediate family.

The nation's flag was immediately lowered to half mast and the present government is preparing to join in honoring Woodrow Wilson.

WOODROW WILSON WILL NEVER DIE

"Woodrow Wilson is Dead!"

So reads the first dispatch from Washington.

But is he dead?

No, Woodrow Wilson is not dead, nor will he ever die.

When told of the certainty of an early death, he replied that he was "Ready to Go"; thanked his physician for the care with which he had dealt with him as a "broken piece of machinery"; called for his wife constantly while moving steadily, slowly surely to the extending arms of that last earthly sleep, from which we trust he will arise agin in that peaceful world where God rules tenderly and justly; where there is no other government but His; where there is no standing army, no navy, no bleeding battle lines, no trouble, no "broken machinery" and no death.

Friend and political foe alike bow in sorrow because of his passing from the nation which he so dearly loved, bravely served, and in whose cause he lost his life just as much so as if stricken by shot and shell or embraced in the merciless clutches of a cloud of gas on war's lurid front.

The League of Nations, which some day will surely be adopted by this nation, will be his monument, grander and more eternal than any ever carved out of granite rock and ornamented with polished marble.

He faced death submissively and courageously, knowing that he like Paul of old had "fought a good fight, kept the faith and finished the course," as far as he was concerned, though he sank at the end of life disappointed that the principles for which he urged America to fight for on Flanders field had not been adopted as a part of America's course in the piping times of Peace. A braver heart never beat its last throb. A nobler American, more deeply imbued with the pure and fervent spirit of love of homeland and humanity "never passed its tenement of clay to the more genial realms of immortality."

He had passed life's noonday and was almost in sight of the three score and ten allotted to man, having passed his 68th milestone a little more than a month ago. He had passed through many trying years in public service, had seen the love of his countrymen and of the world expressed in every form by which a man may know that he is loved and admired. No mortal ever was paid higher honors while in power than Woodrow Wilson, Wartime President of America, the cheiftain chosen to heavy responsibility by the Democratic party but the President of all the people. While he was President, he was the President, which is a tribute in itself and though his nation did not adopt the League of Nations, he was more dearly loved than he ever thought.

His early footsteps were directed along proper paths of youth and manhood by the guiding hand of his Christian mother and a Christian father who was a Presbyterian minister, his life exemplifying in flesh and bone: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

"His mind was constructed for the highest acquisition of human knowledge."

Many mighty men have fallen in every age and in every land. Many monarchs of the earth have perished in their prime and while glory and success were still perched upon their flying banners, surrounded with gorgeous splendors of wealth and power, and theiir country soon forgot them.

But it will be written, as if penned by a finger of steel in the rock of ages, across the pages of world history that America wept when Woodrow Wilson breathed no more.

He is not only not dead but will grow greater and his influence will loom larger with the passing of the centuries.

WOODROW WILSON'S CAREER

Dec. 28, 1856—Born, Staunton, Va.

1874-5—Student at Davidson College North Carolina.

1879—Student at Princeton.

1881—Graduate in law, University of Virginia.

1882—Practiced law in Atlanta, Ga.

1883-5—Student at Johns Hopkins.

June 24, 1885—Married Ellen Louise Axsen.

1885-8—Professor Bryn Mawr College.

1888-90—Professor Wesleyan University.

1890-1910—Professor Princeton.

1902-1910—President Princeton.

1911-1913—Governor New Jersey.

Nov. 4, 1912—Elected President of United States.

March 4, 1913—Inaugurated President.

Aug. 4, 1914—Proclaimed neutrality in World War of United States.

Aug. 6, 1914—Wife died.

Feb. 10, 1915—Sent note to Germany holding German Government to a "strict accountability" for safety of American ships and lives.

Dec. 18, 1915—Married Edith Bolling Galt.

Nov. 7, 1916—Re-elected President.

Dec. 20, 1916—Sent "peace note" to belligerents.

Feb. 3, 1917—Severed diplomatic relations with Germany, dismissing Ambassador Bernstorff.

March 4, 1917—Second inauguration

April 2, 1917—Asked Congress to declare the existence of the state of war with Germany.

April 6, 1917—United States declared war on Germany.

Nov. 11, 1918—Read terms of German armistice to Congress and announced end of war.

Nov. 29—Named American peace commission.

Dec. 4—Sailed from New York for Europe as head of American peace commission.

March 4, 1921—Turned over Presidency to Warren G. Harding.

WHERE OUR PRESIDENTS SLEEP

John Adams and his son, John Quincy Adams, lie in the Congregational Cemetery in Quincy, Mass., and Monroe and Tyler are buried in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia

Probably the tomb of no president or of an American, is better known to the people of the United States than that of Washington. It is a simple, vine-clad vault of brick on his estate in Mt. Vernon.

A plain obelisk marks the final resting place of Thomas Jefferson. It stands in Monticello his estate near Charlottesville, Va.

A small cemetery in Montpelier, Va contains the bodies of James Madison and his wife.

A domed canopy supported by Grecian pillars shelters the oldfashioned tombstone over the body of Andrew Jackson at the Hermitage near Nashville, Tenn.

The body of Martin Van Buren lies in the old Dutch Cemetery in Kinderhook, N. Y., the town in which he was born.

The vault in which lies the body of William Henry Harrison is on the Bank of the Ohio river, at North Bend, Ohio.

A square pavilion of simple design on the grounds of the Capitol of Tennessee in Nashville shelters the graves of James Knox Polk and his wife.

Zachary Taylor's grave is in Spring field, Ky., five miles from Louisville.

The body of Millard Filmore lies in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo.

The grave of Franklin Pierce is in the cemetery in Concord, N H., beside his body lies that of his wife.

James Buchanan is buried in Lancaster, Pa., beneath a mossy stone on a side hill overlooking the countryside.

The first president to receive a monument of national character was Lincoln This stands in the Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, Ill., where he was buried.

Andrew Jackson was buried in Greenville, Tenn. The grave is marked by an obelisk.

President Grant lies in a mausoleum on Riverside Drive. New York City. The body of Mrs. Grant was placed beside that of her husband in 1902.

In Oaklank Cemetery, Freemont, O., lies the body of Rutherford B. Hays and his wife.

A mausoleum in the Lake View Cemetery, near Cleveland, contains the body of James A. Garfield.

Chester A. Arthur is buried in a public cemetery in Albany, N. Y.

Grover Cleveland is buried in the Cleveland plot in Princeton, N. J.

Benjamin Harrison is buried at Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

William McKinley's body lies in a vault at Marion, O.

President Roosevelt's grave is in Young's Memorial Cemetery, Oyster Bay, N. Y.

Phesident Harding's body lies in a vault at Marion, O.

The ladies of the auxiliary will serve hot biscuit and fried chicken to the American Legion next Tuesday night at Legion headquarters.

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BIRDS OF ILL OMENS

Just now almost everything else is being pushed into the background by the investigations of the operations of various officials, bureaus and departments under the present administration. And a fine mess it is even at this time, and the worst is yet to come. The Teapot Dome scandal is large and important, but for venality, sordidness and criminality, it is not in the same class with others already uncovered and yet to be exposed, and they are coming thicker and faster: "First a speck, and then a vulture, till the air is thick with pinions." And they are birds of ill omen for the Republican party; unless the old spirit is frozen in the veins of the voting public that party is facing a stupendous crash, a disaster from which its recovery will be very doubtful. It will be recalled that the two or three scandals of the Grant administration, even though the President ordered the Attorney General "to let no guilty man escape," caused such a revolt among the voters that Tilden was elected on the face of the returns in 1876. The battle cry of the Democrats (and very appropriate for the coming campaign) was "Turn the rascals out!" The people undertook to turn them out, but it was found after the election that they were so numerous and so well intrenched that they succeeded even then in robbing Tilden of his victory through the scheme of the Eight-to-Seven Commission and the attendant bribery.

These various scandals of the present administration have not been developed as the result of an elaborate scheme to dig up criminal acts to use for political effect, as was the case when the Graham Smellnig Committee was created by the Republicans at the close of the war, but have just cropped out from time to time, and sometimes two or three at a time. And the public washing of the soiled garments has caused men to break down, to die in disgrace and to end their own lives. It is even believed in many quarters that the death of President Harding was partly due to his worry over these conditions as he saw them developing in his administration. It so happened that his one effort to clean up was miscredited—through the false and unjustified reports of Brewer, the assistant detailed by Daugherty to the job of investigating the Wilson appointees in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Harding discharged 28 of the heads of the Bureau, two of whom died from the unmerited disgrace, while the others have all been publicly exonerated and a number of them returned to their places. Others refused to return.

It has become necessary in some cases for the Democrats to force, by the most drastic threats and actions, the creation of Senate Committees to investigate the facts connected with certain cases. In the matter of Senator Spencer's alleged connection with the big Fouke Fur Company of St. Louis, it took weeks to induce the Republicans in the Senate to consent to look into the case, and when it finally came up on the floor of the Senate, the galleries were astonished to see Senator Spencer himself presiding over the session. It is believed the committee will get down to work on the case this week. As the investigations develop and the committees are created it will become a question as to how to conduct the business in the committee rooms and yet maintain a quorum on the floor of the Senate. Here is a partial list of the scandals and sensations to date, with others waiting in the wings and soon to be on the stage:

The Newberry election scandal
The Daugherty scandal
The dismissals at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing
The Goldstein scandal at St. Louis
The Ship Subsidy and Ship Sales scandal
The Veterans' Bureau scandal
The Sugar Profiteering scandal—30 cent sugar
The Sinclair-Teapot Dome scandal
The Reclamation Service scandal
The Income Tax Bureau scandal
The Packers and Stockyards scandal
The Tolbert scandal
The Slemp post-offices scandal; and several others coming, including some very remarkable doings under the Treasury, the Navy, the Department of Commerce, the Government Printing office and the Tariff Commission. In other words, the list of entries is by no means closed.

THE INDICATOR IS ALWAYS UPWARD

Business men have access to charts intended to show them when higher prices are coming and when they may look for a drop. It is claimed by the chart compilers that the laws of action and reaction are equal. The pendulum swings as far one way as it does the other. Charting helps us peer into the business future.

These same observers report that prosperity is associated with decreasing church attendance. When people are poor they think they need God more than when their pockets bulge with cash. It is within the observation of most of us that in dire distress people turn to God as a last resort, and when the weather is fair again they think they can manage their own future without taking God into account.

The wise man in business consults his chart when business is booming as well as when buyers are few. The Christian accepts the Bible and God as his guide through life, surrenders his will to God and abides by the course God lays out for him.

Whether man seeks God at the end of life or at the beginning, God is always the same. He is ready to guide whether man realizes his need of help or not. There is never any back swing to the pendulum of God's love, however much variance there may be in man's obedience to him.

Regular church attendance will help one find the law of God for him if he attend with a sincere purpose to seek for himself.

Of fifteen Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee, eight don't dare to vote for the Mellon Plan and then face the voters. The Democratic proposal will win out.

MEXICO.

By OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

From the silv'ry strand of the broad Rio Grande
Cross Sierra's craigs to the Ocean's flow
Can be heard the dull march of a great army band
Prostrating in shame poor Old Mexico;
Like a gluttonous beast this horde doth now feast
On plunder obtained by ravage of war
And for justice and right they care not the least
Refusing to hear the plea from afar.

The dark, crimson stain of her despotic reign
Has blotted her name on history's page
With bold leaders spur'd on by conquest and gain
To sanction the woes of anarchy's rage.
All her mountains and wood are weltering in blood
And vassals of war are tortured and slain,
The tender shepherd lad is shot where he stood
Attending his flock on green turfted plain.

This land once renowned is now laid to the ground
By bedlam and strife and treachery's guile
And intrigues of State and dark schemes are now found
To cleave with the sword prosperity's smile.
Her homesteads are burned, her rich farm now turned,
By foraging bands, to desolate waste;
The appeals of the poor in mockery are spurned
By cannon and shell her name is disgraced.

Will the world stand at bay while these vandals slay,
In riotous lust, the helpless and fair?
Go shine the bright torch of fair liberty's day
On darkness and woe that is dwelling there.
Let sweet freedom's rhyme, now some far distant chime,
Invade her dim shores of benighted wails
To break the scourge of caste that blights all her clime
And help restore law where crime now prevails.

Another near-scandal is developing from the work of the Re-classification Bureau, created to re-classify the employees under the Civil Service. It is alleged that the heads of this Bureau gave the chief employees of each branch of the Government the naming of their own pay increases, thus leaving insufficient of the appropriations for the various Bureaus to allow increases for the thousands of clerical employees who have been struggling for years against the high cost of living.

WOODROW WILSON

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and Austria, and on Feb. 3, shortly after he had first outlined in a memorable address to Congress his plan for a league of nations. Wilson broke off diplomatic relations with Germany. This was in reply to Kaiser's submarine warfare. On March 16, 1917, Wilson declared a state of "armed neutrality", and a month later, April 2, he demanded that Congress declare war on Germany.

From that day until the armistice on Nov. 11, 1918, Wilson bent his energies to defeat Germany, at once taking the position of spokesman for the allies. He helped bring about unity of command, which ultimately defeated Germany. He pushed through Congress gigantic bills for selective draft and governmental food, fuel, telegraph and railroad administration.

Early in 1919 Wilson broke all precedents by going to Paris to participate in the peace conference, from which he returned with both victories and defeat. His fight was far from ended, and after presenting the treaty to Congress, he again took the issue to the people, with another 8,000-mile stump-speaking trip for the treaty and the League of Nations.

After speaking once and sometimes twice a day for twenty-three days, the President suffered a nervous collapse on a train between Pueblo, Col., and Wichita, Kans., and on orders of Admiral Grayson, his personal physician, he gave up his speaking trip. Cancelling his scheduled Wichita speech, the President was rushed to the White House, where for nearly four months he was kept abed most of the time.

The date of Wilson's "return to power" after his illness probably will go down as Feb. 13, when it was revealed by correspondence given out at the White House he had accused Robert Lansing, Secretary of State, of attempting to usurp the President's authority and had practically demanded the Secretary's resignation. Lansing retired from the Wilson Cabinea, but denied his intentions in calling informal Cabinet meetings during the President's illness was for superceding the head of the Government.

Public comment on the incident in which Lansing generally was upheld had hardly died down before President Wilson again caused a sensation in dispatching a note to the allied Premiers in session at London, in which he was reported as making a threat to withdraw his concern from Europe an affairs unless a previous decision regarding disposition of Fiume and the Adriatic question was upheld.

Owing to his illness, Mr. Wilson was comparatively inactive to the date of his retirement, when succeeded by Warren G. Harding on March 4, 1921. He retired to his newly purchased home in the national capital and busied himself with his books until death came. While he took little active part in politics or public business, his letters from time to time showed that his keen grip on public affairs had not weakened and his fighting heart was still strong.

In the Fall of 1923, Mr Wilson received several delegations and several statements by him were broadcasted. He also contributed to magazines.

METHODISTS WILL HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES TONIGHT

Immtdiately after the receipt of the distressing story of Woodrow Wilson, Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church, announced that memorial servies would be held at that church tonight at 7:30, out of respect for Mr Wilson. This service the general public is invited. A program is being arranged in which several local business men will make brief comments and the music will be in keeping with the hour.

CRUD ADVANCES 25 CENTS ..... PER BARREL SATURDAY

The Magnolia early Saturday posted an advance of 25 cents for Mexia and Powell crude. The advance was also announced by the Humble, The Texas and al lother purchasing companies, which also covered Currie. The rise was expected and had been predicted. Mexia and Powell crude is now $1.85 per barrel and Currie is $2.00.

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Feb. 1.—A horse can be shocked, even if Hollywood can't. Rose Langson, movie "extra" with her golden hair practically her only raiment in the Lady Godiva role she was playing, was thrown by her nervous mount. Rose's arm was fractured.

See Our Window Display.

NEW SPRING HATS $4.95 For Monday

New Colors — New Styles — New Materials

—The Style Shop has just received a beautiful lot of ladies' and misses' hats to be placed on sale Monday. This is a special purchase and you may be sure of some wonderful values for the money.

CHILDREN'S HATS

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Newest Materials - Newest Colors - Newest Styles - Priced the Style Shop Way.

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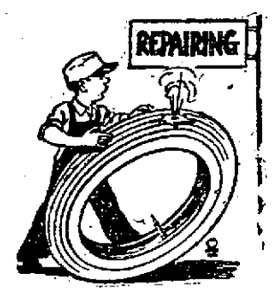

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Foundation Of American Civilization Threatened When Bible Taken From The Public Schools Says Methodist Pastor

One of the greatest sermons heard in Mexia in recent years was that delivered Sunday, Jan. 27th, by Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church on "Education through Good Literature."

The message of the morning was commented on at the time as being genuinely helpful and many expressed the opinion that such sermons could do much to purify the literature of the day and stimulate reading the best only.

A strong appeal was made for the Bible to be returned to the public schools.

In part his sermon follows:

Education Through Good Literature

Text: 1 Thes. 5.21. Prove all things. Hold fast that which is good. What we read constitutes a large part of our education.

Education which does not take God into account and man's relationship to Him will be hurtful and destructive of our Christian civilization. A consciousness of the existence and being of God and of our relationship to Him is fundamental in Christian character and life. God is. God lives. God rules. This is God's world and we are his creatures. We need to pause and consider these things.

The deepest and most vital experiences we have come of our relationship to Him. The soul's experiences with God are the only experiences that are worth while, and any thing that interferes with this is an enemy to you and God.

It is well for us to recognize that there are forces in our midst that are destructive of our christian culture and institutions. With these gone, or impaired, our relationship to God is disturbed and our boasted civilization goes down.

Roger W. Babson, the great American statistician, says: "We owe our civilization to religion, and we owe religion to the church. All that is in the world today that is worth while comes from men filled with integrity, faith, industry, brotherly love and those other factors which come from God. The church deserves the credit of keeping these factors before the world. Hence it is evident that we are indebted, not to the masters of finance and commerce for our present security and prosperity, but to the church and the preachers."

Education that has not the religious element in it is incomplete and tends to drift into materialism and so is fatally defective.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century all the schools of all grades still had the character of religious institutions. They were required to give definite religious instructions. Need I remind you that all the schools established in America previous to that time were established by the church. As a rule preachers were the teachers in those schools. At the close of the nineteenth century the public schools, from the primary grades to the university, had become thoroughly secular.

I quote again from Mr. Babson: "We are neglecting the greatest of resources, the great spiritual resources upon which everything depends. How shall we develop those resources? Certainly we are not doing it now in our public schols. The educational system was originally founded by the Church to train the children in the fundamentals of righteousness. Gradually we have drifted away from this, and today the purpose for which our public schools were started is entirely lost. Under these conditions is it surprising that the spiritual resources of our children are lying dormant?"

There are 25,000,000 school children in the United States. In recent months scientists have been testing these children as to truth and honesty. Dr. Walter S. Athearn led in the work. The board of directors under whom he did this work was made up of the president of the university of Chicago, the president of Brown Universjty, the president of the Agricultural College of Massachusetts and others of like character.

These tests showed that 64% of these children will lie, cheat and steal—16,000,000 out of the 25,000,000.

One of the tests was to give to the child 25 cents with which to buy a given article. The merchant, being instructed beforehand, would say to the child, "We are selling that today for 15 cents," and would give back to the child 10 cents. Only 36 out of each 100 children returned the dime to the teacher.

Another test was to give each child a chance to beat the street car company out of the fare. Other tests of the same character were made and the average of those who were dishonest was 64%. In some cities and towns all of children were dishonest.

Bless these dear children, they are not to blame. We, who have been responsible for their training, are to blame.

These scientists then decided to put these children, or others in the same towns and cities, under ethical instructions and teach them that it is wrong to lie and cheat and steal. Under this instruction there was a 60% improvement.

Others were given definite religious instruction with prayer, Bible reading, singing and devotion. Under this instruction, there was an improvement of 85%. In one city where, under the other test, all had kept the dime, now, after they had had this religious instruction, all but one brought back the dime, and this one brought it back the next day, making it 100%.

When the Bible and religious instructions were taken out of the public schools, the foundations of our American civilization began to be undermined. The "seed corn of the nation is being destroyed."

Dr. Athearn then makes this bold statement—and mark you, he is not a religious fanatic, but a hardheaded scientist: "We have made the discovery that unless children are taught religion that they will not be religious. We have also made the discovery that children can be scientifically taught religion in such a way that the course of their entire lives will be changed. These scientific tests prove this beyond a doubt."

The question is asked, "Why not train these 25,000,000 children at home or in Sunday schools?" Answering the first question: It is a fact that very few of our homes are giving religious instruction to the children. As to instruction in the Sunday schools, these scientists made a test of the state of Indiana, as being, as they thought, an average state. They found that more than half of the children, of all classes of people, did not attend Sunday school. Of the Protestant children, only half of them attended Sunday school, and of these only half attended more than half of the time. It was found that of the children who did attend a Sunday school, that they received only twelve hours of instruction a year—the balance of the hour being taken up with other things.

Who is to blame for this condition? The children? No. The question is not so much as to who is to blame, as what will America do about it?

The men who laid the foundation of this great republic were trained in the schools of their day, and the religion of the Bible was drilled into them. The results show in the kind of government they gave us. What kind of government will we hand down to our posterity? Will it be the kind of government we now have if we allow the moral and religious faculties of the children to lie dormant?

Not only this, but the kind of literature we read affects our lives. How many of our homes have a religious paper? How many read that paper after it comes?

Do you read the fiction of the day? The short stories in the magazines and the books of fiction? Modern fiction may be classed all the way from semi-filthy to postively nasty. The sex question is the most prominent feature. Immorality is made prominent and rather encouraged. Unfaithfulness to the marriage vow is winked at and the hero and heroine are lionized for their ludeness and free love tendencies.

Is it true that these authors are setting the pace in such things? Is it true that the public demands such literature?

You will find books on the news stands that cannot be sent through the mails. They are too dirty and indecent.

The most popular plays on the stage in America last year were reeking with filth. Probably the most popular one in New York was not only indecent but was a slander and a libel on the church and the great mission work in the South Sea Islands.

You tell me this is all a backwash from the world war? Part of it may be. But such rank, noxious weeds would not grow if the soil were not congenial. The awful crime wave in America is but another indication of the same diseased condition.

The trouble is that we have ceased to teach the children of America that there is a God in this country. Our religious and moral standards have been lowered. The average home in America has absolutely no religion. Good books and literature in the home is as necessary as good food. The garments of righteousness are far more essential than the dresses and clothing we buy at the dry goods store.

You will agree with me that when religion was taught in the schools that we had high moral standards in America. We haven't those standards now. They are gone in large measure. The scientists of America tell us how we lost them.

Do you ask me what is the remedy I answer without hesitency, God. God in the home. God in the schools. God in business. Who will begin this return to the old paths? I answer, you. All reforms begin with the individual. "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

MOTHER AND THREE CHILDREN BURNED

AKRON, Ohio, Feb. 1.—A mother and three children were burned to death when flames enveloped a four room house in East Akron.

The dead are Mrs. John Smith, Jack Smith, 4; Anna May Smith, six montths and Eleanor Smith, 2.

Albert Rains, a roomer was severely burned. He is believed to have used oil in an attempt to start a fire in a cook stove.

Judge A. M. Blackmon was up from Groesbeck Saturday circulating among his friends.

Chinese Students Says Americans Much Like Them

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 3—"American students and Chinese students are essentially the same," said Miss Mohling Ma, student in the University of Texas from Tswan, Shantung, China.

Miss Ma said that about the only noticeable difference is in skin and language, and that, after all, these are only comparatively superficial things. Students in China and America have the same emotions. They laugh and cry over the same things and have the same fundamental likes and dislikes.

Miss Ma came to America three years ago, her purpose being to take advantage of better educational advantages in this country When she left China she knew very little English, but now she speaks it fluently and does well in her courses

She speaks enthusiastically about her native country, particularly the Student's Union in the Chinese schools All the schools in China, from high schools to universities, inclusive, are in the organization. Individual schools are represented in district unions, and these in turn are represented in a big national Students' Union

"Until the time of the Washington Conference," said Miss Ma, "the Chinese Government had not paid much attention to this students' organization. And it was not the intention of the Government to listen to the Union on political matters to be dealt with at the Conference. But upon the Government's persistence in refusing to listen to the wishes of the people expressed through the Union for Japan's return of Shantung to China, the fine organization of the students brought about a nation-wide strike of all industries. On the third day of the strike the Government agreed to all the demands of the Union, and the result was felt throughout the world. Japan gave up Shantung."

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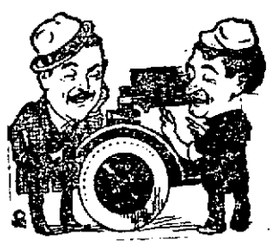

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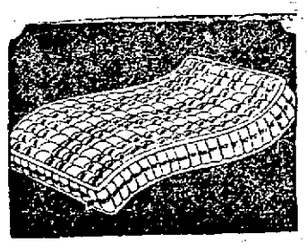

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NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

MARLIN

The Luthran Church of Texas will shortly establish somewhere near the center of the population of the State a major educational institution and while Marlin is known to have received serious consideration for the college the point has been reached, say those, in touch with the situation, where this city must show something more than a receptive attitude if it wishes to secure the school Rev. H. Studtmann, serving as resident pastor of the Lutheran Church in a prosperous rural community, is chairman of the locating board.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Marlin Baseball club was held in the Chamber of Commerce headquarters Tuesday evening. The annual report of the finances of the club was read by the treasurer, E. A. Flowers, and was duly accepted by the members. Mr. Flowers was commended for the manner in which he has kept the accounts for the club during the past season. The election of directors resulted in renaming five members of the 1923 board, B. C. Bratton, E. E. Fannin, E. A. Flowers, P. E. Arrington, and N. E. Stockton. A. B. Johnson, another member, resigned recently to accept the presidency of the Texas Association and Robert F. Higgins, withdrew because of the fact that he will probably be out of town for several weeks this summer. M. S. Hunt was elected to fill the place left vacant by the resignation of Mr. Johnson and C. H. Olinger was chosen to take Mr. Higgin's place. B. C. Bratton was re-elected as president.

Every eligible person in Marlin is being urged to join the recently organized Parent-Teachers Association. Those eligible to membership include parents and all others interested in the welfare of the public schools. The dues of the association were set at twenty-five cents per year.

WORTHAM

Mrs. J. K. P. Poindexter and daughter, Miss Angie, of Kosse, have been visiting relatives in Wortham, and were the guests of T. B. Poindexter and R. G. Poindexter and their families. They returned home by way of Waco, and were accompanied to that city by Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Poindexter and Mrs. T. B. Poindexter.

The Bounds Motor Company has broken dirt and begun preparations to erect a brick on Main and North Second streets. The completed building will be occupied by the company.

The Pleasure Profit Club met this past week with Mrs. Roger Seely. Games of 42 were enjoyed by the guests and at the close of the games refreshments in the form of Sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate were served. The club will meet this week with Mrs. H. O. Tatum.

HUBBARD

Rev. W. R. Johnson of Nashville, Tenn., has accepted a call to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Hubbard and he and his wife and two children will arrive here about the middle of February. Mr. Johnson will begin his pastoral duties February 17.

A banquet is to be given Friday night by the ladies of the Cemetery Association here in the basement of the First Methodist Church at which a charge of $1.00 for each plate will be made. A representative of the Neosho plan of co-operation for the town and country will be present and will explain the working of his plan. As Mr. Lowe, the representative, comes well recommended by the Cotton Belt Railroad, all citizens interested in the progress of Hubbard are urged to be present.

The post office at Abbott was robbed some time Monday night the robbers blowing the safe and escaping with $300 in stamps, $40 in money and a Colts revolver. According to the Sheriff's office the Katy depot at Eylm Mott was robbed the same night, the amount of loot secured by the robbers not being known.

C. C. Hudson of Dallas was here the first of last week looking over the town as a probable location for a produce house. Mr. Hudson stated that he will be back in a few weeks and will probably make his arrangements for locating here.

According to reports that have come to the office of the News from a trusworthy source a dog which bit several other dogs here recently appears to have been infested with rabbies. The dog was killed while in a fit Tuesday.

Last Saturday a fire of unknown origin broke out in the second story of the McLaughlin building at Mt. Calm resulting in the loss of the building and the most of its contents. The building was occupied by a garage and a grocery and furnishing store.

TEAGUE

The Teague public schools began the second term of the year Monday morning. Attendance is holding up well, especially in the upper grades and the High School.

At the regular meeting of the Lions club at the Rex Cafe Friday, with Dr. W. P. Harrison presiding as the good fellowship chairman, Coach Lemon was named as delegate to a district meeting of the Lions Clubs to be held at Austin. During the meeting school athletics were discussed at length, and it was decided to bring the Trinity Glee Club to Teague at an early date for the benefit of the High School athletic fund.

The Culture Club met Friday afternoon, January 18, with Mrs. Jess Smith where she and Mesdames Niel McKennedy and Forrest Green were hostesses for the aftrenoon. Pink carnations were used for decorative purposes and were arranged in a very attractive manner about the living and dining rooms. The program was "Better Homes" and roll call was answered with modern conveniences. The different phases of the subject were discussed by members on the program in a very interesting manner while a pleasing vocal solo was rendered by Mrs. W. W. Kerr. Refreshments consisted of chicken salad, olives, crackers, fruit cake, coffee and salted almonds.

GROESBECK

Monday was a record breaking day Tax Collector W. A. Robbins' office when state and county tax to the amount of $191,087.24 was collected. This brings the total amount for the year up to $500,509.85.

According to an announcement by the chairman of the local "Lynch Davidson for Governor" club Mr. Davidson will open his campaign in Groesbeck Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9.

A delegation of Mexia Lions headed by President J. K. Hughes visited the Groesbeck Club at their regular luncheon meeting Thursday of the week before last. Lion Hughes delivered a short address on this occasion in which he discussed "Lionism" and what it is possible for the Lions of Mexia and Groesbeck to do. The other members of the Mexia delegation made interesting and instructive talks, Lion Jere H. Cason, explaining how the Mexia club handles its luncheons and how they get the membership cut to their meetings.

The Masons of this section have a treat in store for them if they accept the invitation of the Groesbeck lodge to attend the Masonic Service meeting to be held here on the night of February 7th. At that time W. T. Ede, of Dallas, will deliver an address on "A Citizen and His Government," or on "The Equality of Opportunity."

INJUNCTION IS MADE PERMANENT BY COURT

Thursday of the past week, the injunction suit pertaining to the opening of the X-All Highway in the Forest Glade School district for the Forest Gldae school truck was heard before County Judge Fountain Kirby. The injunction was made permanent and in effect means that the contractors building the road must allow the school truck to pass over the highway.

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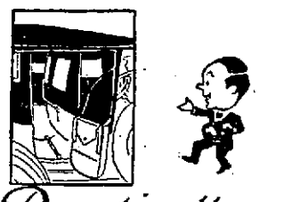

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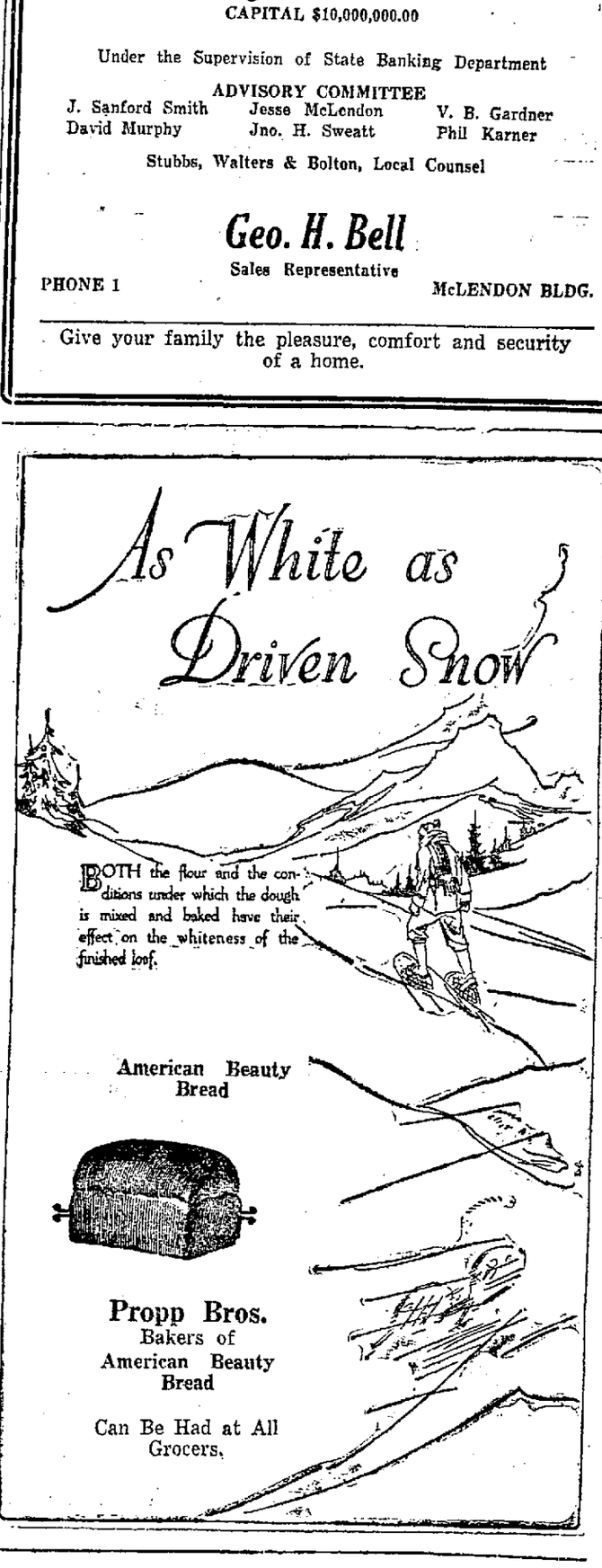

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BALLOON TIRES AROUSE LARGE NUMBER OF QUERIES

Specialization is still at large in the land, dividing and then dividing again. Now balloon tires have caused it to perform another division in the already specialized business of question answernig.

A dozen or more men find steady employment in one railroad station giving all their time one thing, answering questions Not so long ago the station agent answered all questions just as a sideline while he checked baggage, sold tickets, handled mail and telegrams and kept the village urchins from annoying the live geese in the crate on the hand truck.

Now comes this latest prank of specialization in question answering And in rolls quietly into our lives, accompanied by very little "air" on the wheels of automobiles Information bureaus are springing up all over the land to answer the many questions which balloon tires have conjured up in the minds of automobile owners. Can I put on balloons? Do I have to change my wheels? Will they wear out faster? And so on—the number of questions being limited only by the limits of driver imagination.

One of the big Akron tire makers, The General Tire and Rubber Company, has gone so far as to designate every one of its distributor establishments as a free information bureau for all who are interested in any way in the balloon tire idea. Placards and advertisements set forth that the General distributors' places are balloon tire headquarters and the parent company has furnished all available information. All questions are answered intelligently and without obligation and the questioners are invited to ride in a car equippel with the big tires.

This compny is particularly well fitted to furnish its distributors with authentic data because it has been developing the balloon tire idea for the past ten years. The balloon tier of today is the magnification and refinement of the Jumbo which the General company built in 1916.

STUDEBAKER SMASHES ALL PREVIOUS SALES RECORDS DURING 1923

Nineteen twenty-three was a banner year for the automobile industry in both production and sales of cars. Coming after the year 1922, which showed a remarkable improvement over the "off year" 1921, the increase in automobile business during 1923 is even more impressive.

Studebaker's record in making 1923 its banner year with the sale of more than 145,162 cars follows a series of phenomenal sales records. Each year for the past six years Studebaker sales have greatly exceeded those of the previous year.

Students of statistics will recall the story that 1921 told. In that year the sales of Studebaker cars were 29.4 per cent greater than in 1920, while the total number of cars sold of all other makes except Ford was 40 per cent less than in 1920.

Stated otherwise, Studebaker's ratio of sales in 1921 was 129 and the total of other makes except Ford was 60, as compared with 1920.

In 1922, therefore, Studebaker had the showing of a record year to surpass and plans were laid for a production of 100,000 cars, as compared with 66,643 in 1921. Even with this large increase in production, at no time was Studebaker able to supply the demands for its cars. 110,269 cars were produced and sold during 1922, an increase of 65 per cent over 1921 which up to that time was the greatest year in the history of Studebaker.

The increasing demands for Studebaker cars continued in 1923. By the end of August, the 1922 record was exceeded, and by December 31 Studebaker sales had passed 145,162—making the greatest year, by far, in Studebarker history.

MAJOR LEAGUE TRAINING CAMPS

Big League Training Camps this year are located as follows:

American League

Boston Red Sox, San Antonio, Tex.
New York Yankees, New Orleans, La.
St. Louis Browns, Mobile, Ala.
Philadelphia Athletes, Montgomery, Ala.
Detroit Tigers, August, Ga.
Chicago White Sox, Winterhaven, Fla.
Cleveland Indians, Lakeland, Fla.
Washington Nationals, Tampa, Fla.

National League

New Yrok Giants, Sarasota, Fla.
St. Louis Cardinals, Bradentown, Fla.
Brooklyn, Clearwater, Fla.
Phillies, Leesburg, Fla.
Cincinnati Reds, Orlando, Fla.
Pittsburgh Pirates, Paso Robles, Cal.
Chicago Cubs, Catalina Island, Cal.

IS YOUR HUBBY SLIPPING? HEED THIS WARNING

"Wives! Be unusual!"

Such advice is offered women of the world by no less a personage than William de Mille, who sends this startling message through his latest Paramount production, "Don't Call It Love," which will be shown at the National Theatre Monday.

"Wives! Be unusual!"

To the average spirited American man, nothing is more tiring than monotony, according to the theme of "Don't Call It Love." It is therefore necessary that a woman, if she would continue to hold the interest of her husband after marriage, be different.

"I do not believe this picture intends to convey that a woman, to be different, must be inconsistent," says Nita Naldi, a featured member of the cast. "She should be consistent in her attentions to her husband—and her attentions should be only for her husband. She should use her personality in varying ways. She should dress differently; that is, instead of having all her house dresses pink or blue, she should have variety in color and style. These things would serve to keep her husband's interest centered on her at all times, whereas, if she allows her clothes and personality and appearance to become monotonous, he would seek elsewhere for the 'something different' his life demands."

In the new de Mille photoplay, the effect of monotonous, everyday love is brought home with unusual force by a triangle affair carried on by Agnes Ayers, Nita Naldi and Jack Holt. Theodore Kosloff and Rod La Rocque are also featured.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 1.—A small automobile, the worse for wear was found on a highway near here with a bill of sale signed by the owner and left blank to be filled out by the purchaser, attached to it. A note left with the bill of sale explained that who ever found the machine could have it by paying the highway taxes due on it.

TOKIO, Feb. 2.—Two small boys, inspired by one of the "blood and thunder" American movie pictures, were responsible for the wrecking of a train on which were twenty-five members of the Japanese diet. The wreck, which had of minor consequence, caused the greatest excitement, some believing it had been planned by anti-government plotters. Later, it was discovered the two youngsters only wanted to emulate the movie actors and decided to try it out on a train.

FENZA, Italy, Feb. 2.—An earthquake prediction contest seems to be in order here as the result of ridicule directed against Professor Bendani, expert quake forecaster. Incensed by the didicule of other seismologists, Bendani has challenged them to publish their forcasts for March, comparing them with his own which he offers to publish in full. Bendani refuses to disclose the methods he uses in foretelling earth shocks, declaring his research work is not yet complete.

THE STUDEBAKER CORPORATION OF AMERICA

South Bend, Ind., U. S. A., Jan. 28, 1924.

Mexia Motor Car Co.,
Mexia, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Your splendid sales record has won for you the permanent possession of the "Vice President's" cup for 1923. Please accept our heartiest congratulations.

Your achievement is commendable considering the size of the field and the stiff competition that characterized this contest, and we heartily wish you greater success for 1924.

Since December leaders are entitled to hold the cups for one month, it will be a week or two before we can order your cup shipped to you. When you receive it please take it to your local jeweler and have him complete the engraving on the front side to show that you are the final winner.

Yours very truly.
STUDEBAKER CORPORATION OF AMERICA.

We attribute our success to the loyal support of our customers and friends. We assure you that your patronage is highly and thankfully appreciated.

You are always welcome. Visit us often.

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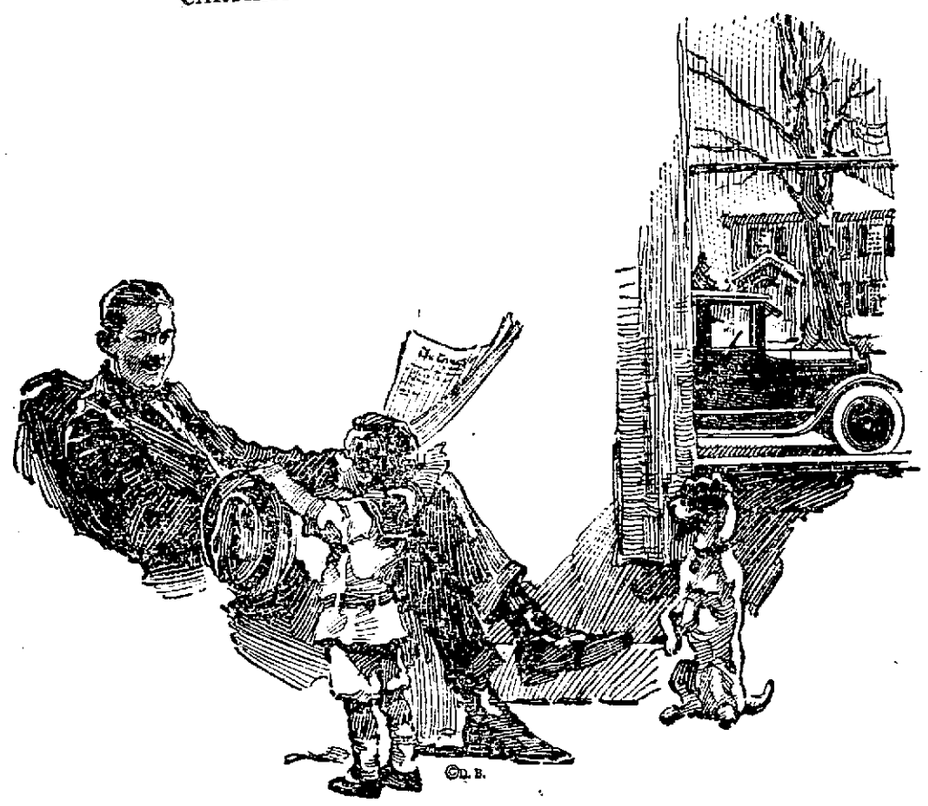

A Story of Success

How Studebaker Cars became leaders

145,000 people last year paid $200,000,000 for them

THE most talked-about cars among fine cars are the Studebaker Sixes—at $975 and up.

Sales have almost trebled in the past three years. The demand for these cars, growing by leaps and bounds, has been Motordom's chief sensation.

Over $200,000,000 was last year spent for Studebaker models.

Now we wish to explain, to all who are interested, the reasons for that success.

Studebaker has always led

For 72 years the name Studebaker has stood for quality and class.

Studebaker equipages, in the carriage days, held premier place. The White House owned them in the days of Grant and Harrison.

Now we make motor cars only. But the Studebaker name, in this modern field, simply had to maintain its prestige.

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We had the money, we had the incentive — we who now control. And our one ambition has been to maintain the Studebaker place.

$90,000,000 assets behind us

Studebaker assets are $90,000,000. We have $50,000,000 in modern plants and equipment.

Not old plants re-adapted. We have spent $32,000,000 in new plants in five years. We have equipped them with 12,500 up-to-date machines.

Over $8,000,000 was spent on drop forge plants alone. Another $10,000,000 on body plants, to maintain our prestige in coach building.

We believe that no other plant in the country is so well equipped to build quality cars as Studebaker.

Engineering—$500,000 yearly

We created an engineering department which costs $500,000 yearly.

There are 125 skilled men there who devote their time to studying betterments in cars. They make 500,000 tests yearly.

There is a department of Methods and Standards. They decide and fix every standard in these cars.

We spend $200,000 yearly to machine all surfaces of crank shafts, just as in Liberty Aeroplane Motors. That is the reason for that perfect balance, that absence of vibration.

Every Studebaker car is Timken-equipped. The Special-Six and the Big-Six have more Timken bearings than any car selling under $5,000 in America. The Light-Six more than any competitive car within $1,000 of its price.

Learn why 145,162 bought Studebakers in 1923

Studebakers hold the top place in the fine car field today.

In 1919, the public paid over $80,000,000 for 39,356 Studebaker cars.

In 1920, the public paid over $100,000,000 for 51,474 Studebaker cars, an increase of 31% over 1919.

In 1921, the public paid over $120,000,000 for 66,643 Studebaker cars, an increase of 29% over 1920.

In 1922, the public paid over $155,000,000 for 110,269 Studebaker cars, an increase of 66% over 1921.

In 1923, the public paid over $201,000,000 for 145,162 Studebaker cars, an increase of 32% over 1922.

In 1924, business has opened with Studebaker as never before.

Learn why all these buyers preferred Studebakers.

Our factories employ 1,200 inspectors, to make 30,000 inspections on all Studebakers cars. Few flaws, few mistakes can escape them. That, we believe, is the finest organization ever devoted to motor car building.

The price of quality

On some steel alloys for vital parts we pay 15% extra to get them exact.

Open cars have real leather upholstery. They cost $25 more per car than imitation leather.

Our closed cars have Chase Mohair upholstery. This is made from the soft fleece of Angora goats. And a Sedan requires from 15 to 18 yards.

Velour for this upholstery would save us up to $100 per car.

Note the finish of every detail. Mark the infinite care. They add 25% to labor cost on luxurious closed bodies.

Note the completeness of our larger closed cars. The nickel-plated bumpers, the extra disc wheels and cord tires, the steel trunk, the courtesy light, etc. Think what they would cost you, bought as extras.

Thus we have made the Studebaker the leader of quality cars. We have built a demand exceeding 145,000 cars per year.

Learn the results of these efforts, in fairness to yourself. Don't buy a car at $1,000 or over without knowing what we offer.

Compare the parts and details. Mark the advantages we offer — scores on scores. Our experience is that 95% of those who do that buy a Studebaker car.

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Roadster (3-Pass.)	975.00
Coupe-Roadster (2-Pass.)	1195.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1395.00
Sedan	1465.00

SPECIAL-SIX

5-Pass. 119" W. B. 50 H. P.

Touring	$1350.00
Roadster (2-Pass.)	1325.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1895.00
Sedan	1985.00

BIG-SIX

7-Pass. 125" W. B. 60 H. P.

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Third Great National Campaign For Better Homes Is Planned

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3—The third great national campaign for Better Homes in America will be held this year earlier than ever before—during the week of May 11 to 18. This is the third year of this movement which originated from a thought expressed by the late President Harding in a speech delivered at Akron, Ohio, in 1921.

The central organization, which is completely divorced from all commercialism, has Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, as its president. Harvard University has granted leave of absence to Dr. James Ford, authority on housing and community organization, in order that he can conduct the nation wide demonstrations for the development of home life in America during 1924. Headquarters have been moved from New York to Washington, at 163 Pennsylvania Avenue.

The aims of Better Homes in America may be summed up briefly as follows: To show the advantages of thrift for home ownership, to overcome the shortage of homes in this country, estimated at 800,000, to strengthen home life and make it attractive, to assist and encourage home- makers—ninety-two per cent of the housewives of America do their own housework—to improve the home environment, thereby promoting the physical and moral development of the child, to stimulate sensible purchasing for home improvement, and to mobilize community pride for a common object—pride of home

The late President Harding was heart and soul interested in this educational movement, publicly commending it in strong terms He wrote to Secretary Hoover that "not only is there the primary consideration on advanced material comfort but the soundness of our social system and stability of our country are greatly enhanced by the development of love for a home and the creation of a home that can be loved"

Mr. Hoover is authority for the statement that "A hundred years from now your descendants will still be reaping the harvest of your labor for Better Homes in Amberica."

The Better Homes campaiins were first organized in 1922, when hundreds of committees, scattered from coast to coast and from the Gulf of Mexico north beyond the Artic Circle in Alaska, enthusiastically took part. The first prize that year was awarded to New Haven, Connecticut. There the committee took a house of the $8.000 class as a model. The committee, backed by the cooperation of practically every philanthropic, civic and business organization of the city, also put before families of very limited means a powerful object lesson by equipping a model tenement in the heart of the city which could have been duplicated for $550.

Spokane, Washington, exhibited and demonstrated three model houses, representing a price range of from $4.500 to $12.000. One of the most interesting and instructing demonstrations of Better Homes in 1922 was at St. Helena Island, S. C. A plantation cabin was remodeled, furnished and equipped, the program being put in the hands of a group of colored men and women who carried it out splendidly Every article in the cabin was placed there with the object of demonstrating the need for it and its use, and to show that it was within the reach of the average industrious working family. Daily lessons were given to show how time and labor might be saved in running such a home.

Last year the premier award went to Port Huron, Michigan, where a house was financed, completely furnished, and demonstrated entirely by a group of students in the high school Gradually the work of the youngsters took hold of the community spirit of the entire city, every member of the community falling into line before Better Homes Week was over. Eight thousand people went through the house which had been planned, built, furnished, and demonstrated by the school boys and girls of Port Huron, On the last day of the demonstration of this model "better home" it was sold at public auction for exactly $300 more than it had cost to erect and completely furnish.

The demonstrations have been broad in their scope, and it is planned to have them broader this year and in succeeding years. One great aim of Better Homes in America is to impress upon those having in charge the education of children the need of teaching young girls home management, and the disbursement of household budgets.

The phenomenal success of the high school students of Port Huron last year completely won over the educational authorities there, who have voted to put a model house on the high school campus, for conducting courses in home management and economics These school authorities take the view that such education is of far greater and more lasting value than many of the academic and scientific courses prescribed for high school girls today. They know that for every girl who takes up chemistry for instance, as a life work, there are thousands upon thousands who devote their lives to the business of being wives and mothers

Those responsible for Better Homes in America are working toward the end of having the example set by the Port Huron high schools followed by every school in the country.

The importance of books, pictures and music is stressed, as well as the myriad details of physical construction and equipment, such as having the kitchen sink under a window, so that the steam goes out of the window instead of into the dish-washer's lungs Contests to determine the best two hundred books for a model home resulted in thousands of interesting lists, the Bible leading all other selections

AMERICAN TENNIS STAR TO PLAY IN PARIS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Molla Mallory, seven times American tennis champion, barred from the American Olympic team because she once played for Norway in the Olympics, will accept the invitation to play in Paris next summer for Norway, it was learned today.

Mrs. Mallory has not officially accepted the invitation extended to her by the Norwegian Olympic officials but she will do so as soon as she feels sure of her legal grounds.

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 2.—An average of 15 children a day was the birth record set here during January, reports show. A total of 465 infants saw the light of day in the first month of the year in Dallas. January and February are always banner birth months, officials say.

Dope Addict Poses As Fortune Teller

A man who gave his name as W. B. Harrison was arrested here Friday afternoon by local officers charged with fortune-telling. According to the officers it later developed that he was a "dope" addict and that he had several hypodermic needles on his person. On a search of the room in which he was staying, the officers stated that some of the "dope" was discovered in solution.

According to the man's statement his home is at Greenville and he had been in the city only five days previous to his arrest. He said that during that time he had given only 8 readings and that he had not made his board at that. He also said that he was sick and wanted to go home, as he felt that that was the place for him.

His arrest followed a complaint filed by a lady who had gone to him for a reading. It is said that he told the lady that she would receive a message requiring her to make a long journey, and as she has a son in another state who is said to be quite ill she became very uneasy concerning his condition and took her misgivings to the justice court. One of the officers immediately took off his ensignia of office and visited the room of the supposed fortune-teller under the ruse of having his own future presented to him and brought the accused person back with him.

On the inability of the prisoner to give bond he was placed in the city jail to await trial.

OTTAWA, Feb. 1.—Professor John Sharp saw a chicken thief prowling about his barn early today. Garbed in his night gown and armed with a lantern he gave chase. Up into the hay mow of the barn ran the thief, the professor with his lantern in pursuit. Finally Sharp got close enough to hurl his lantern at the intruder. The hay caught fire, burning the barn, causing a $10,000 loss—and the thief escaped.

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Methodists In Texas University Many

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2.—The University of Texas Methodist church is now considering plans for a new Bible Chair which will be built by September, 1924, and will take care of the large number of students who are enrolled in Bible courses in the Wesley Bible Chair, according to Ernest C. Webb, director of Bible courses. A sum of $8,000 has already been collected and $30,000 has been subscribed.

There are 109 students in the classes for the winter term, and it is now impossible for the director to have his usual number of classes, because there is no room which will accommodate them. A new section has been formed, but the classes are still too large, it is stated.

Final plans for the building have not been definitely accepted, but it is certain that there will be a large auditorium on the top floor where 200 or 300 students can be accommodated on Sunday. This auditorium will also be used for Sunday School and for entertainments. The ground floor will have class rooms for the Bible students, a library, cloak rooms and an office for the director.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper will be administered at the close of the 11 o'clock service.

The new pipe organ will be ready for use next Friday and at 7:30 that evening Miss of Dallas will give a recital to which the public is most cordially invited.

The Sunday school is worthy of your attention and time. Why be ignorant of the Bible when you have such a splendid opportunity to study its truths.

What is your attitude toward the Woman's Missionary Society?

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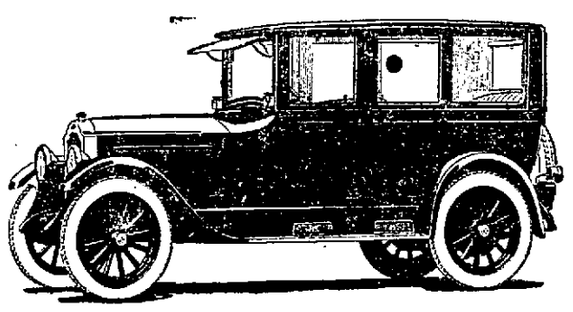
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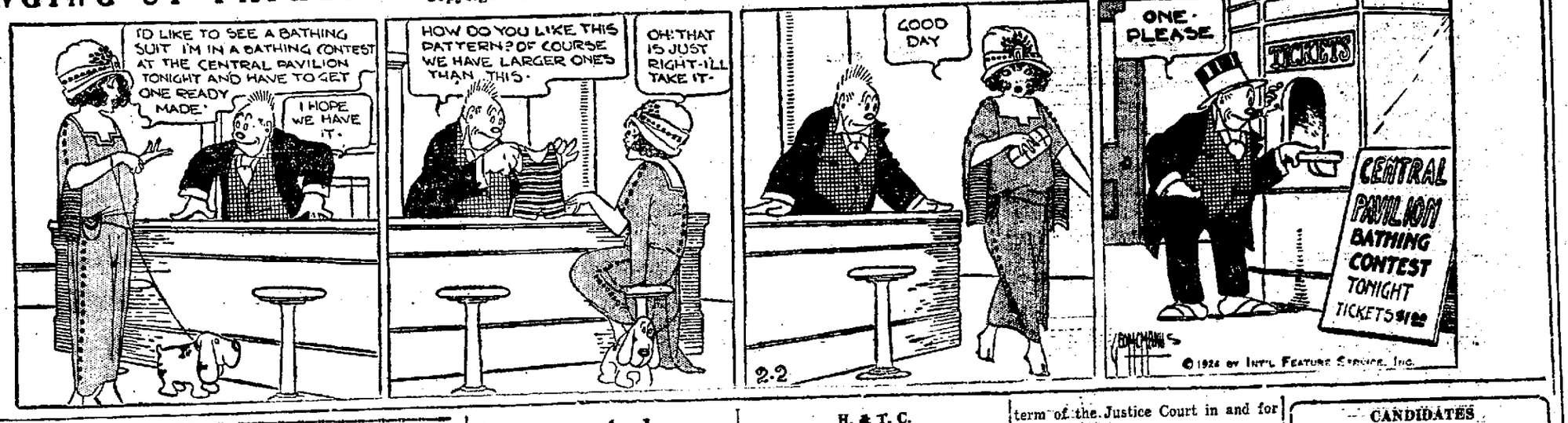
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LOST—Two black horse mules, seven and eight years old, 16 hands high, weight 1100 lbs. No blemishes. Also one brown horse mule five years old, 16 hands high, stripes over fore shoulder. One bay mare 16 hands high, weight 950 lbs. 6 years old. Notify Marvin Cogdell, at Mexia, Texas, phone 290. Reward. 30D3

LOST—Wednesday at Sumpter Street School or between school and Milam street a gold wrist watch, hexagon shape, Roco Mape make, Swiss movements. Notify J. T. Duson, 207 Kennedy street. Phone 61. 1D3

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WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred, Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas. 18E30

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WHITE LEGHORN hatching eggs for sale. J. W. Radley White Leghorn Farm. Route 1 box 6, Mexia. 30J4

FOR SALE—Let me set your incubator with eggs from my S. C. English White Leghorns that are winter layers. Eggs 15 for $1.25, 100 $7.00. W. Ray McGee, Point Enterprise, Mexia, Texas. 29J3

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Dallas Leads In Building in 1923

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 2.—Dallas led all other cities in Texas by nearly $2,000,000 in building last year, according to figures compiled by S. W. Strauss Company here.

Only one other Southern city exceeded Dallas' total—Atlanta.

Figures for Texas cities were:

Dallas, $29,988,319; Houston, $19,696,831; Ft. Worth, $8,395,261; San Antonio, $8,053,246; El Paso, $2,101,790; Galveston, $1,889,876; and Wichita Falls, $1,747,498.

Atlanta's total was $27,094,498.

Mme. Curie, discoverer of radium, has been living in poverty in Paris. She has devoted every franc she possessed to scientific research. The French parliament has granted her a state pension of $2200 a year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rogers are the proud parents of a fine boy which arrived early Tuesday morning. The baby weighs nine pounds.

Dempsey And Harry Wills Can't Fight

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—In the course of tracking down mysterious millionaires who are bidding wild for a heavyweight contest between Harry Wills and Luis Firpo, some very interesting facts concerning the entire heavyweight situation have been learned from a source that is absolutely authentic and reliable.

These facts are:

That Jack Dempsey and Harry Wills positively can not fight this year and it is doubtful that they ever will be allowed to fight in this country.

That Tex Rickard will promote the Wills-Firpo fight—if they fight.

That Rickard will meet the bid of any rival promoter and that he will have the advantage in his favor because of his reputation.

That there is only one State in the country that is willing to listen to a mixed bout and that this State will sanction a Wills-Firpo bout only after some clever political manipulation.

That New York State positively will not grant permission for a Dempsey-Will or a Firpo-Wills fight.

That the authorities are willing to sanction a Dempsey-Gibbons or a Dempsey-Firpo fight but they will not permit Dempsey to fight more than twice and probably not more than once this summer.

While positive information was not secured, it was understood that Connecticut is the only State that will even listen to a proposal for a mixed heavyweight fight and that Pennsylvania and New York will never permit one.

A survey in St. Louis shows that 58 per cent of the traffic entering the business district during the day comprised automobiles and 10 per cent comprised street cars. But street cars, carried 67 per cent of the people to the business district while only 25 per cent moved in automobiles.

Each individual in the United States is required to contribute the equivalent of 6 1-2 weeks' income to pay his taxes, according to the figures on per capita tax levies as related to income.

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Oil Country Now Producing Pecans

BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, Feb. 2.—More than 110,000 pounds of pecans have been shipped from Breckenridge this season, according to officials of the J. T. Webster Warehouse here.

The pecans are shipped to eastern markets principally. The average price is about eleven cents a pound. One more shipment is expected to be made before the winter is over.

The pecans constitute one of the chief shipping products of this section.

COULDN'T SEE HER OWN FATE

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 2.—Tho Madame Mummy was a fortune teller she admitted in court here that she couldn't foretell how her trial on vagrancy charges would come out.

So after meditating a bit Judge Campbell called into play his own occult powers and said she was not guilty.

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be holden in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 828 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars ($40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars ($20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
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INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6,000 for the year 1923.

CANDIDATES

Announcements

1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

The following candidates for the offices named submit their names subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held in Limestone county on the 26th day of July, 1924:

For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN

For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.

For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD

For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.

For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS, (re-election.)

For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.

For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)

For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)

County Attorney—
SCOTT REED (re-election, second term.)

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District Court's Decision Has No Effect on Automobile Taxes Until Higher Courts Speak Out

The decision of the 77th district court of Limestone county pertaining to the new highway law, in which the court declared the new measure unconstitutional, does not effect the payments made for automobile registration, according to county attorney Scott Reed, who represented the commissioners court in the injunction suit heard and granted last Tuesday

He states that it is his understanding that the matter will not be definitely settled until the higher courts give their opinion, following the appeal made from the decision of the district court.

Since the question is yet pending he points out the new law is yet considered effective and registration payments are made on that basis

Scott Reed Announces For Second Term as Limestone County Attorney

Scott Reed, county attorney of Limestone County, was in Mexia Friday, at which time, he announced that he was a candidate for re-election to the office which he now holds His name has been added to the growing list of candidates now seeking favor at the hands of the voters of Limestone County

Mr. Reed has been an aggressive and vigorous county attorney and during his past two years of service the county has risen to a high place among the orderly sections of the country, where men respect the law rather than merely fear it. His term has been so successful and so satisfactory to the people that he is justified in asking that he be extended the characteristic policies of democrats to re-elect a good officer to his second term.

He is a Limestone county product and his fellow citizens have been glad to honor one of their native sons. A veteran in times of war, he has no less been a splendid soldier in times of peace.

While in the office of County Attorney, he has given himself over seriously to the people's business in connection with that office. He has been content with serving the public diligently, faithfully and unafraid.

This same attention to detail and to every phase of the county attorney duties, he is certain to carry into the office next term

Pleasing in personality, easy to meet and always disposed to transact business in a most respectful manner a forceful speaker, yet in the prime of young manhood, and, with a reputation for integrity of character and upright, gentlemanly conduct, in private as well as in public life, Limestone county is practically certain to grasp the opportunity to secure his services another two years term.

Scout News

Growing? Yes by leaps and bounds.

Troop No. 1 met Friday night in the basement of the Baptist church, with Scoutmaster Rochelle in charge. After a very enthusiastic meeting, a number of the scouts passed the Tenderfoot test, the test that is necessary before a boy may become a regular scout.

Troop No. 2 met in the basement of the Methodist church, with an attendance of thirty-four. Mr. Willets, Scountmaster was right on the job, filling the boys with peptorism, giving them some very instructive work. Mr. Willets took Troop No. 2 out Saturday afternoon for a hike, giving them the first real outing since his troop was organized.

Troop No. 3 met Friday night in the basement of the Christian church, with Scout master Dale and Assistant Scoutmaster Dr. Porter in charge. Mr. Dale reports a splendid meeting, with a full attendance present.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Dale took his troup out for a real hike, which the boys enjoyed to the fullest.

Troop No. 4 met in the basement of the Baptist church. Scoutmaster Booker being out of the city, J. P. Dunaway met with Troop No. 4, representing Mr. Booker. Scoutmaster Rochelle tested out a few of troop No. 4 for the Tenderfoot test, a number of the boys passing.

Mr. Willets will organize a new troop within the next few days to care for the overflow of boys, the meeting place for the new troop will be announced later, this will make five troops to date, which proves conclusively that the boys are ready for the movement.

J. P. Dunaway invited Troops No. 1 and four to a Weiner roast which took place Saturday night at the Reunion Grounds, the boys hiked out Saturday afternoon under the direction of Assistant Scoutmaster Harper, Mr. Dunaway joining them later with the Weiners and the fixings. Did the boys enjoy it? You bet! They were good and hungry, and the twenty pounds of Weiners evaported like unto ice in July.

Scoutmaster Rochelle announced to his troop Friday that he would start next week a drill at Hughes Park and you may watch this drill with interest as well as the boys, this is a great boy builder, watch 'em grow.

Scouting is the process of making real men out of boys, by a real program which works.

Scouting is a happy, wholesome, worth-while, outdoor school.

Scouting is a huge, splendidly organized game, with all the fine zest of competition, the finer zest of cooperation, the keen testing of mind and muscle, the essential good sportsmanship of a football game. Only it is a constructive game, a progressive game. It gets somewhere.

Scouting is more than a game. It teaches signaling and first aid and fire fighting and outdoor cookry and a host of other useful and important things. It teaches also selfreliance and helpfulness, courage and courtesy loyalty and reverence, patriotism and honor, and other kindred sualities of good repute.

Scouting is non-sectarian, though its ideals are in accord with those of the modern church and it is based upon a pledge allegiance to the service of God, the brotherhood of man.

Scouting is not organized for war service, nor yet exclusively for peace service. It is organized for SERVICE all service, any service, high or humble, big or little, just service.

Incidentally it inculcates the soldier virtues of discipline, hardiness, courage, obedience and patriotism, a patriotism which holds itself ready to serve its country in whatever form the need and the call may come. Preparedness of this kind is the scout platform.

Scouting is democratic. It aims not to run every boy into one groove, but to help each to develop into the fullest manhood of which he is capable, and individual in the highest sense of the word, with recognized responsibility to himself and society.

Scouting is democratic also in that it knows no bounds of class, creed, or race. It speaks the universal language of world boyhood. It is the great melting pot of American youth.

The end and aim of Scouting is good citizenship, to make men "physically strong, mentally awake, morally straight."

This is what Scouting is and what Scouting means. Is it not a cause worth promoting, working for with all your might, Scoutmsaters now and to be, especially in this vrucial hour of our nation's history?

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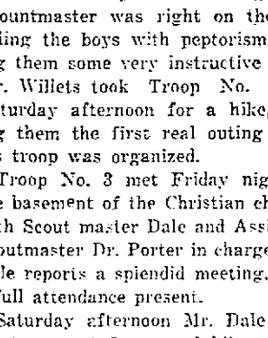

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Mothers Ask That Pastors Observe Child Welfare Day

The Mothers Council met in regular session Wednesday at the Library, Mrs. White, presiding.

The attendance was good, which was very gratifying to the president The reports from each school proved very interesting, showing that each president of the Parent-Teachers Associations is working enthusiastically for the good of all the schools. As February 17 is Child Welfare Day a motion carried that we ask our pastors to observe this day, as it comes on Sunday. Committees were appointed to consult with them about this.—Reporter.

LOCAL STUDENTS MAY COMPETE FOR $150 PRIZE

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 2—Studetns of the high schools of Limestone county are given the opportunity to compete for $150 in prizes offered by C. M. Caldwell, regent of the University of Texas, and by the Dallas News, for the best essays written on local history. Mr. Caldwell has contributed $100 of the fund, and the Dallas News, $50. The most notable local history essay written in the state-wide local history contest will be awarded $40, and a large number of smaller monetary awards will be given to other successful contestants. All manuscripts must be submitted before Many 1, according to Prof, W. P. Webb, of the University of Texas, history department, who is in charge of the contest. Further details will be furnished by him to all who request them.

"Every community of Texas, it matters not how small or how large it may be, has a local, a unique, and absorbing history, most interesting," said Professor Webb, who is the originator of the local history prize offer. "Every high school student of the state should take pride in recording the history of his own community will bring to light unpublished bits of history, so interesting and delightful, that the research student will feel more than repaid for his efforts. For each competitor, there is also the possibility of winning one of the prizes and the honor of having his article published."

Professor Webb's idea of local history follows:

"Local history is the history which may be found in your own community It is the history of your church, your town, your court house, or some interesting person. The story of an Indian fight that occurred near your home is local history, as is the account of a drouth, of a flood, or a fire Local history is not the story of important men or of great events. It is likely to be the story of the unimportant. In detail, it may be extremely interesting; in the aggregate, it is of great importance. From both points of view, it will be worth having. All essays, then should treat of local subjects, that are not too widely known."

Tax Payments In Mexia Are Large

J. D. Arrington, tax collector for the Mexia School District, states that the records show at the close of business January 31st, 1924, that that office had received approximately $116,000 for the school fund up to that time. He also added that this was about 90 per cent of the school taxes and is a far better percentage than was collected on the same date in 1923. For the entire previuos year, the office received only about $90,000.

R. D. Morgan states that about 85 per cent of all city taxes have been paid.

1180 poll taxes were paid in Mexia. This is from the city alone and indicates that between 1500 and 1600 is the voting power of the Mexia box alone.

Electrical horsepower used in manufacturing in the United States increased from 8,835,970 in 1914 to more than 20,000,000 in 1923.

Prisoner Jailed For Drunkenness Breaks Out Wednesday Night

Another prisoner broke out of the city jail Wednesday night. He was placed in the jail for drunkenness and the officers stated that they had to resort to force to bring him in. They were successful in jailing him but sometime during the night he made a get-away carrying off the lock of the door.

Motor car owners of the United States paid out $294,000,000 in insurance premiums on their cars in 1923.

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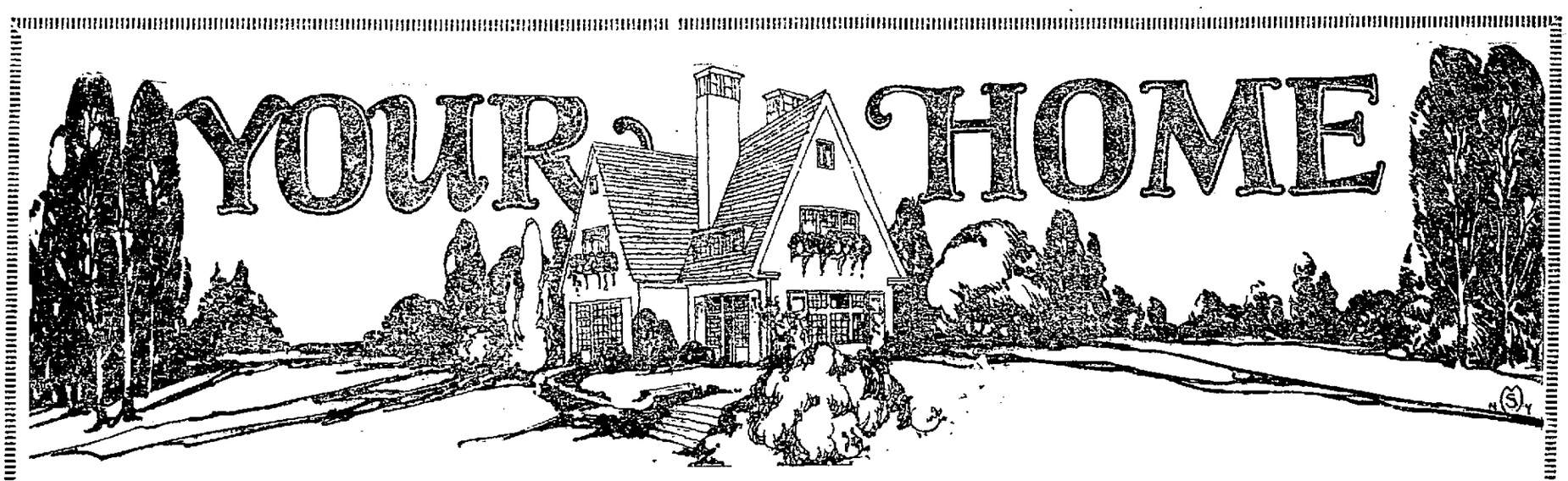

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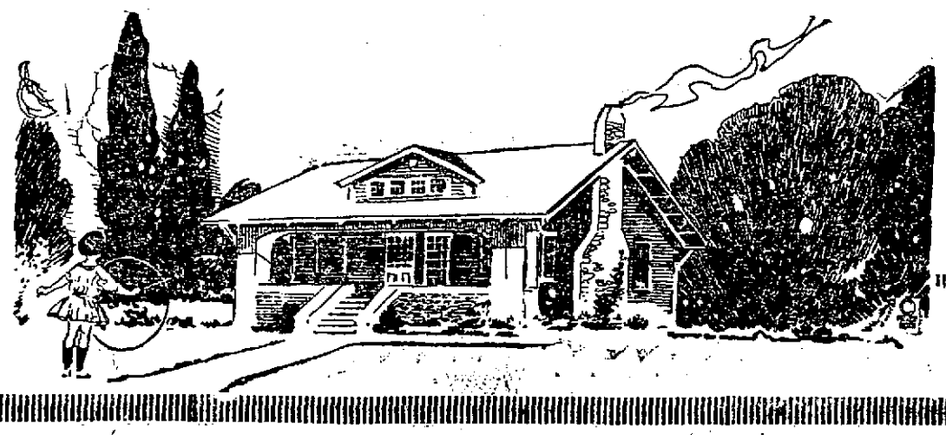

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